

Department of Planning and Budget 2012 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB 937

House of Origin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Engrossed
Second House	<input type="checkbox"/> In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

2. Patron: Lingamfelter, L. Scott

3. Committee: General Laws

4. Title: Spouses of military service members; expediting issuance of business licenses, etc.

5. Summary: The proposed legislation requires a regulatory board within the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation, the Department of Health Professions, or any board named in Title 54.1 to establish procedures to expedite the issuance of a license, permit, certificate, or other document, however styled or denominated, required for the practice of any business, profession, or occupation in the Commonwealth, including the issuance of a temporary permit, to an applicant (i) holding the same or similar license, permit, certificate, or other document required for the practice of any business, profession, or occupation issued by another jurisdiction, (ii) whose spouse is the subject of a military transfer to the Commonwealth, and (iii) who left employment to accompany the applicant's spouse to Virginia, if, in the opinion of the board, the requirements for the issuance of the license, permit, certificate, or other document in such other jurisdiction are substantially equivalent to those required in the Commonwealth. The bill limits to six months the duration of any temporary permit issued.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No. There is no clear estimate as to the additional expenditure required by this legislation, however additional nongeneral fund appropriation can be provided administratively once such spending needs are determined.

7. Fiscal Impact Cannot Be Determined (See item 8)

8. Fiscal Implications: The bill's provision to add and monitor a new license type (six-month temporary license for military spouses) will require the Departments of Professional and Occupational Regulation and Health Professions as well as the Board of Accountancy to implement new procedures for staff to license, certify or register the related occupations and professions. The creation of this procedure as well as the creation of the necessary application forms and modification to the licensing system would increase costs for the relevant boards. However, the overall fiscal impact is unknown at this time. It is assumed that regulatory fees will be adjusted to generate the revenue needed to cover any additional expenditures incurred. While any needed nongeneral fund dollars and positions would have to be appropriated, such action can occur administratively until such time as a clear impact can be determined and included in the Appropriation Act.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:

Department of Health Professions

Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation

Board of Accountancy

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: None

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