Department of Planning and Budget
2020 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number:** SB981

House of Origin	☒	Introduced	☐	Substitute	☐ Engrossed
Second House	☐	In Committee	☐	Substitute	☐ Enrolled

2. **Patron:** Suetterlein

3. **Committee:** General Laws and Technology

4. **Title:** Professions and occupations; expediting the issuance of credentials to spouses of military service.

5. **Summary:** Provides for the expedited issuance of credentials to the spouses of military service members who are ordered to federal active duty under Title 10 of the United States Code or are veterans if the spouse accompanies the service member or veteran to the Commonwealth or an adjoining state or the District of Columbia. Under current law, the expedited review is provided more generally for active duty members of the military who are the subject of a military transfer to the Commonwealth. The bill also authorizes a regulatory board within the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation or the Department of Health Professions or any other board in Title 54.1 (Professions and Occupations) to waive any requirement relating to experience if the board determines that the documentation provided by the applicant supports such waiver.

6. **Budget Amendment Necessary**: No.

7. **Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary. See Item 8.

8. **Fiscal Implications:** It is anticipated that this bill will not result in a fiscal impact to the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation and the Department of Professional Health Professions.

9. **Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation; Department of Professional Health Professions.

10. **Technical Amendment Necessary:** No.

11. **Other Comments:** This bill is the companion bill to HB930. HB967 also expedites the issuance of credentials to spouses of military service members.