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1	AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 275
2	AMENDMENT NO Amend Senate Bill 275 by replacing
3	everything after the enacting clause with the following:
4	"Section 5. The Civil Administrative Code of Illinois is
5	amended by adding Section 5-715 as follows:
6	(20 ILCS 5/5-715 new)
7	Sec. 5-715. Expedited licensure for service members and
8	spouses.
9	(a) In this Section, "service member" means any person who
10	serves or has served in the United States Armed Forces or any
11	reserve component of the United States Armed Forces or the
12	National Guard of any state, commonwealth, or territory of the
13	United States or the District of Columbia.
14	(b) Each director of a department that issues an
15	occupational or professional license is authorized to and shall
16	issue an expedited temporary occupational or professional

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1	license to a service member who meets the application
2	requirements under this Section. The temporary occupational or
3	professional license shall be valid until a license is granted
4	or until a notice to deny a license is issued in accordance
5	with rules adopted by the department issuing the license. The
6	service member shall apply to the department in the format
7	prescribed by the department. An application must include proof
8	that:
9	(1) the applicant is a service member;
10	(2) the applicant holds a valid license for the
11	occupation or profession issued by another state,
12	commonwealth, possession, or territory of the United
13	States, the District of Columbia, or any foreign
14	jurisdiction and the requirements for licensure in the
15	other jurisdiction are determined by the department to be
16	substantially equivalent to the standards for licensure of
17	this State;
18	(3) the applicant is assigned to a duty station in this
19	State or has established legal residence in this State; and
20	(4) a complete set of the applicant's fingerprints has
21	been submitted to the Department of State Police for
22	statewide and national criminal history checks, if
23	applicable to the requirements of the department issuing
24	the license.
25	(c) Each director of a department that issues an
26	occupational or professional license is authorized to and shall

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1	issue an expedited temporary occupational or professional
2	license to the spouse of an active duty member of the Armed
3	Forces of the United States who meets the application
4	requirements under this Section. The temporary occupational or
5	professional license shall be valid until a license is granted
6	or until a notice to deny a license is issued in accordance
7	with rules adopted by the department issuing the license. The
8	active duty member spouse shall apply to the department in the
9	format prescribed by the department. An application must
10	include proof that:
11	(1) the applicant is married to a service member;
12	(2) the applicant holds a valid license for the
13	occupation or profession issued by another state,
14	commonwealth, possession, or territory of the United
15	States, the District of Columbia, or any foreign
16	jurisdiction and the requirements for licensure in the
17	other jurisdiction are determined by the department to be
18	substantially equivalent to the standards for licensure of
19	this State;
20	(3) the applicant's spouse is assigned to a duty
21	station in this State or has established legal residence in
22	this State; and
23	(4) a complete set of the applicant's fingerprints has
24	been submitted to the Department of State Police for
25	statewide and national criminal history checks, if

1 the license.

(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, each director of a department that issues an occupational or professional license shall issue a license to a service member or a military spouse to allow the service member or the military spouse to lawfully practice in his or her occupation or profession in this State if upon application the service member or the military spouse:

9 (1) holds a current license, certification, or 10 registration from another jurisdiction, and that jurisdiction's requirements for licensure, certification, 11 12 or registration are substantially equivalent to or exceed 13 the requirements for licensure, certification, or 14 registration of the occupational or professional licensing 15 board for which the applicant is seeking licensure, certification, or registration in this State; 16

17 <u>(2) can demonstrate competency in the occupation or</u> 18 profession through methods as determined by the director of 19 <u>a department that issues licenses, such as having completed</u> 20 <u>continuing education units or having had recent experience</u> 21 <u>for at least 2 of the 5 years preceding the date of the</u> 22 <u>application under this Section;</u>

23 (3) has not committed any act in any jurisdiction that 24 would have constituted grounds for refusal, suspension, or 25 revocation of a license to practice that occupation or 26 profession in this State at the time the act was committed;

1	(4) is in good standing and has not been disciplined by
2	the agency that had jurisdiction to issue the license,
3	certification, or permit; and
4	(5) pays any fees required by the occupational or
5	professional licensing board for which the applicant is
6	seeking licensure, certification, or registration in this
7	<u>State.</u>
8	(e) All relevant experience of a military service member in
9	the discharge of official duties or, for a military spouse, all
10	relevant experience, including full-time and part-time
11	experience, regardless of whether in a paid or volunteer
12	capacity, shall be credited in the calculation of years of
13	practice in an occupation or profession as required under
14	subsection (d) of this Section.
15	(f) A department may adopt any rules necessary for the
16	implementation and administration of this Section.
17	Section 10. The State Fire Marshal Act is amended by adding
18	Section 5 as follows:
19	(20 ILCS 2905/5 new)
20	Sec. 5. Expedited temporary licensure for service members
21	and spouses.
22	(a) In this Section, "service member" means any person who
23	serves or has served in the United States Armed Forces or any
24	reserve component of the United States Armed Forces or the

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National Guard of any state, commonwealth, or territory of the 1 2 United States or the District of Columbia. 3 (b) The State Fire Marshal is authorized to and shall issue 4 an expedited temporary occupational or professional license to 5 a service member who meets the application requirements under this Section. The temporary occupational or professional 6 7 license shall be valid until a license is granted or until a notice to deny a license is issued in accordance with rules 8 9 adopted by the department issuing the license. The service 10 member shall apply to the Office in the format prescribed by the Office. An application must include proof that: 11 12 (1) the applicant is a service member; 13 (2) the applicant holds a valid license for the 14 occupation or profession issued by another state, 15 commonwealth, possession, or territory of the United States, the District of Columbia, or any foreign 16 jurisdiction and the requirements for licensure in the 17 other jurisdiction are determined by the department to be 18 19 substantially equivalent to the standards for licensure of 20 this State; 21 (3) the applicant is assigned to a duty station in this

State or has established legal residence in this State; and 23 (4) a complete set of the applicant's fingerprints has 24 been submitted to the Department of State Police for 25 statewide and national criminal history checks, if 26 applicable to the requirements of the department issuing 1 the license.

(c) The State Fire Marshal is authorized to and shall issue 2 an expedited temporary occupational or professional license to 3 4 the spouse of an active duty member of the Armed Forces of the 5 United States who meets the application requirements under this Section. The temporary occupational or professional license 6 7 shall be valid until a license is granted or until a notice to deny a license is issued in accordance with rules adopted by 8 9 the department issuing the license. The active duty member 10 spouse shall apply to the Office in the format prescribed by the Office. An application must include proof that: 11

12 (1) the applicant is married to a service member; 13 (2) the applicant holds a valid license for the 14 occupation or profession issued by another state, 15 commonwealth, possession, or territory of the United States, the District of Columbia, or any foreign 16 jurisdiction and the requirements for licensure in the 17 other jurisdiction are determined by the department to be 18 19 substantially equivalent to the standards for licensure of 20 this State;

21 <u>(3) the applicant's spouse is assigned to a duty</u> 22 <u>station in this State or has established legal residence in</u> 23 <u>this State; and</u>

24 <u>(4) a complete set of the applicant's fingerprints has</u>
 25 <u>been submitted to the Department of State Police for</u>
 26 <u>statewide and national criminal history checks, if</u>

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1	applicable to the requirements of the department issuing
2	the license.
3	(d) The Office may adopt any rules necessary for the
4	implementation and administration of this Section.
5	Section 15. The School Code is amended by changing Section
6	21-11.1 as follows:
7	(105 ILCS 5/21-11.1) (from Ch. 122, par. 21-11.1)
8	(Section scheduled to be repealed on June 30, 2013)
9	Sec. 21-11.1. Certificates for equivalent qualifications.
10	An applicant who holds or is eligible to hold a teacher's
11	certificate or license under the laws of another state or
12	territory of the United States may be granted a corresponding
13	teacher's certificate in Illinois on the written authorization
14	of the State Board of Education and the State Teacher
15	Certification Board upon the following conditions:
16	(1) That the applicant is at least 19 years of age, is
17	of good character, of good health, and a citizen of the
18	United States or legally present and authorized for
19	employment; and
20	(2) That the requirements for a similar teacher's
21	certificate in the particular state or territory were, at
22	the date of issuance of the certificate, substantially
23	equal to the requirements in force at the time the
24	application is made for the certificate in this State.

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1 After January 1, 1988, unless the applicant is a service 2 member or the spouse of an active duty member of the Armed Forces of the United States, in addition to satisfying the 3 4 foregoing conditions and requirements, an applicant for a 5 corresponding teaching certificate in Illinois also shall be 6 required to pass the examinations required under the provisions 7 of Section 21-1a as directed by the State Board of Education. For the purposes of this Section, "service member" means any 8 9 person who serves or has served in the United States Armed 10 Forces or any reserve component of the United States Armed 11 Forces or the National Guard of any state, commonwealth, or territory of the United States or the District of Columbia. 12

13 In determining good character under this Section, any 14 felony conviction of the applicant may be taken into 15 consideration, but the conviction shall not operate as a bar to 16 registration.

17 The State Board of Education in consultation with the State 18 Teacher Certification Board shall prescribe rules and 19 regulations establishing the similarity of certificates in 20 other states and the standards for determining the equivalence 21 of requirements.

This Section is repealed on June 30, 2013.
(Source: P.A. 97-607, eff. 8-26-11.)".