97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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HB1973

by Rep. Dan Reitz

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 2105/2105-207 new 410 ILCS 517/51 new

Amends the Department of Professional Regulation Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. Provides that any licensee disciplined under a licensure Act administered by the Division of Professional Regulation for an offense relating to the failure to pay taxes, child support, or student loans or relating to continuing education or advertising may file a petition with the Department on forms provided by the Department, along with the required fee of \$200, to have the records of that offense removed from public view on the Department's website if certain conditions are met. Provides that nothing shall prohibit the Department from using a previous discipline for any regulatory purpose or from releasing records of a previous discipline upon request from law enforcement, other governmental body, or the public. Provides that removal of records of a disciplinary offense from the Department's website shall not be considered a vacating or expunging of the offense from the licensee's disciplinary record. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

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AN ACT concerning State government.

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2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 3 represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Department of Professional Regulation Law of
the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois is amended by adding
Section 2105-207 as follows:

- 7 (20 ILCS 2105/2105-207 new)
- 8 <u>Sec. 2105-207.</u> Records of Department actions.
- 9 <u>(a) Any licensee subject to a licensing Act administered by</u> 10 <u>the Division of Professional Regulation and who has been</u> 11 <u>subject to disciplinary action by the Department may file an</u> 12 <u>application with the Department on forms provided by the</u> 13 <u>Department, along with the required fee of \$200, to have the</u> 14 <u>records classified as confidential, not for public release and</u> 15 <u>considered expunged for reporting purposes if:</u>
- 16 (1) the application is submitted more than 7 years 17 after the disciplinary offense occurred;
- 18 (2) the licensee has had no incidents of discipline 19 under the licensing Act since the disciplinary offense 20 identified in the application occurred;
- 21 (3) the Department has no pending investigations
 22 against the licensee; and
 23 (4) the licensee is not currently in a disciplinary

1	status.
2	(b) An application to make disciplinary records
3	confidential shall only be considered by the Department for an
4	offense or action relating to:
5	(1) failure to pay taxes, child support, or student
6	loans;
7	(2) continuing education;
8	(3) failure to renew a license on time;
9	(4) failure to obtain or renew a certificate of
10	registration or ancillary license;
11	(5) advertising; or
12	(6) any grounds for discipline removed from the
13	licensing Act.
14	(c) An application shall be submitted to and considered by
15	the Director of the Division of Professional Regulation upon
16	submission of an application and the required non-refundable
17	fee. The Department may establish additional requirements by
18	rule. The Department is not required to report the removal of
19	any disciplinary record to any national database. Nothing in
20	this Section shall prohibit the Department from using a
21	previous discipline for any regulatory purpose or from
22	releasing records of a previous discipline upon request from
23	law enforcement, or other governmental body as permitted by
24	law. Classification of records as confidential shall result in
25	removal of records of discipline from records kept pursuant to
26	Sections 2105-200 and 2105-205 of this Act.

Section 10. The Health Care Professional Credentials Data 1 2 Collection Act is amended by adding Section 51 as follows: (410 ILCS 517/51 new) 3 4 Sec. 51. Licensure records. Licensure records designated confidential and considered expunged for reporting purposes by 5 6 the licensee under Section 2105-207 of the Civil Administrative Code are not reportable under this Act. 7 8 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon

9 becoming law.