A-Engrossed House Bill 2454

Ordered by the House April 11 Including House Amendments dated April 11

Sponsored by Representative FINDLEY (Presession filed.)

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure.

Allows out-of-state applicant seeking occupational license in Oregon more time to meet Oregon standards if applicant is already licensed in another state and is seeking to work in Eastern Oregon Border Economic Development Region.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

- 2 Relating to regulated professions in the Eastern Oregon Border Economic Development Region.
 - Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
 - **SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section:**
 - (a) "Eastern Oregon Border Economic Development Region" has the meaning given that term in ORS 284.771.
 - (b) "Occupational or professional service" means a service:
 - (A) That an individual must possess a license or other form of authorization to provide under the laws of this state; and
 - (B) Over which a professional licensing board has regulatory oversight.
 - (c) "Professional licensing board" means a state agency or board that licenses or otherwise authorizes individuals to provide an occupational or professional service.
 - (2) Notwithstanding any other required qualifications for issuance of a license or other authorization, for the purpose of increasing the workforce in the Eastern Oregon Border Economic Development Region, a professional licensing board may issue a provisional license or other provisional authorization to an out-of-state applicant if the applicant:
 - (a) Is licensed or otherwise authorized in another state to engage in the same occupation or profession;
 - (b) Certifies to the professional licensing board that the applicant is seeking to engage in the occupation or profession within the Eastern Oregon Border Economic Development Region;
 - (c) Certifies to the professional licensing board that the applicant is actively seeking full licensure or other authorization to engage in the occupation or profession; and
 - (d) Pays the application fee.
 - (3) Applicants issued provisional licenses or other provisional authorizations under this section shall be required to meet all Oregon standards for full licensure or other authorization imposed by the applicable professional licensing board not later than two years following the date of initial issuance of the provisional license or other provisional

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(4) A professional licensing board may adopt rules to carry out the provisions of this section, including but not limited to rules regarding the tracking and reporting of provisional licenses or other provisional authorizations issued under this section.
