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Introduced by Sen. RITCHIE -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Judiciary

AN ACT to amend the real property law, the general business law, the executive law, and the arts and cultural affairs law, in relation to expedited licensing or certification for certain professions by military spouses

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Section 446-b of the real property law is amended by adding 2 a new subdivision 8 to read as follows:

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8. (a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, any 4 applicant seeking to qualify for a license pursuant to this article who is the spouse of an active duty member of the armed forces of the United States, national guard or reserves as defined in 10 U.S.C. sections 1209 and 1211, and such spouse is transferred by the military to this state shall be afforded an expedited review of his or her application for licensure. Such application shall be on a form prescribed by the department of state and shall include an attestation by the applicant of the military status of his or her spouse and any other such supporting documentation that such department may require. Upon review of such application, the department of state shall issue a license to the applicant if the applicant holds a license in good standing in another state and in the opinion of such department, the requirements for licensure of such other state are substantially equivalent to the requirements for licensure in this state.

(b) In addition to the expedited review granted in paragraph (a) of this subdivision, an applicant who provides satisfactory documentation that he or she holds a license in good standing from another state, may request the issuance of a temporary practice permit, which, if granted 22 will permit the applicant to work under the supervision of a New York state licensee in accordance with regulations of the secretary of state. The department of state may grant such temporary practice permit when it 25 appears based on the application and supporting documentation received 26 that the applicant will meet the requirements for licensure in this

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state because he or she holds a license in good standing from another state with significantly comparable licensure requirements to those of this state, except the department of state has not been able to secure direct source verification of the applicant's underlying credentials (e.g., receipt of original transcript, experience verification). Such permit shall be valid for six months or until ten days after notifica-tion that the applicant does not meet the qualifications for licensure. An additional six months may be granted upon a determination by the department of state that the applicant is expected to qualify for the full license upon receipt of the remaining direct source verification documents requested by the department of state in such time period and that the delay in providing the necessary documentation for full licen-sure was due to extenuating circumstances which the military spouse could not avoid.

- (c) A temporary practice permit issued under paragraph (b) of this subdivision shall be subject to the full disciplinary and regulatory authority of the department of state, pursuant to this article, as if such authorization were a license issued under this article.
- (d) The department of state shall reduce the initial licensure application fee by one-half for any application submitted by a military spouse under this subdivision.
- § 2. Section 444-e of the real property law is amended by adding a new subdivision 5 to read as follows:
- 5. (a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, any applicant seeking to qualify for a license pursuant to this article who is the spouse of an active duty member of the armed forces of the United States, national guard or reserves as defined in 10 U.S.C. sections 1209 and 1211, and such spouse is transferred by the military to this state shall be afforded an expedited review of his or her application for licensure. Such application shall be on a form prescribed by the department and shall include an attestation by the applicant of the military status of his or her spouse and any other such supporting documentation that such department may require. Upon review of such application, the department shall issue a license to the applicant if the applicant holds a license in good standing in another state and in the opinion of such department, the requirements for licensure of such other state are substantially equivalent to the requirements for licensure in this state.
- (b) In addition to the expedited review granted in paragraph (a) of this subdivision, an applicant who provides satisfactory documentation that he or she holds a license in good standing from another state, may request the issuance of a temporary practice permit, which, if granted will permit the applicant to work under the supervision of a New York state licensee in accordance with regulations of the secretary. The department may grant such temporary practice permit when it appears based on the application and supporting documentation received that the applicant will meet the requirements for licensure in this state because he or she holds a license in good standing from another state with significantly comparable licensure requirements to those of this state, except the department has not been able to secure direct source verifi-cation of the applicant's underlying credentials (e.g., receipt of original transcript, experience verification). Such permit shall be valid for six months or until ten days after notification that the applicant does not meet the qualifications for licensure. An additional six months may be granted upon a determination by the department that the applicant is expected to qualify for the full license upon receipt

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- (c) A temporary practice permit issued under paragraph (b) of this subdivision shall be subject to the full disciplinary and regulatory authority of the department, pursuant to this article, as if such authorization were a license issued under this article.
- 9 (d) The department shall reduce the initial licensure application fee 10 by one-half for any application submitted by a military spouse under this subdivision. 11
 - § 3. Section 69-p of the general business law is amended by adding a new subdivision 4 to read as follows:
 - 4. (a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, any applicant seeking to qualify for a license pursuant to this article who is the spouse of an active duty member of the armed forces of the United States, national quard or reserves as defined in 10 U.S.C. sections 1209 and 1211, and such spouse is transferred by the military to this state shall be afforded an expedited review of his or her application for licensure. Such application shall be on a form prescribed by the department of state and shall include an attestation by the applicant of the military status of his or her spouse and any other such supporting documentation that such department may require. Upon review of such application, the department of state shall issue a license to the applicant if the applicant holds a license in good standing in another state and in the opinion of such department, the requirements for licensure of such other state are substantially equivalent to the requirements for licensure in this state.
- 29 (b) In addition to the expedited review granted in paragraph (a) of 30 this subdivision, an applicant who provides satisfactory documentation that he or she holds a license in good standing from another state, may 31 32 request the issuance of a temporary practice permit, which, if granted 33 will permit the applicant to work under the supervision of a New York 34 state licensee in accordance with regulations of the secretary of state. 35 The department of state may grant such temporary practice permit when it 36 appears based on the application and supporting documentation received 37 that the applicant will meet the requirements for licensure in this 38 state because he or she holds a license in good standing from another 39 state with significantly comparable licensure requirements to those of this state, except the department of state has not been able to secure 40 direct source verification of the applicant's underlying credentials 41 42 (e.g., receipt of original transcript, experience verification). Such 43 permit shall be valid for six months or until ten days after notifica-44 tion that the applicant does not meet the qualifications for licensure. 45 An additional six months may be granted upon a determination by the 46 department of state that the applicant is expected to qualify for the full license upon receipt of the remaining direct source verification 47 documents requested by the department of state in such time period and 48 49 that the delay in providing the necessary documentation for full licensure was due to extenuating circumstances which the military spouse 50 51 could not avoid.
- (c) A temporary practice permit issued under paragraph (b) of this subdivision shall be subject to the full disciplinary and regulatory 54 authority of the department of state, pursuant to this article, as if 55 such authorization were a license issued under this article.

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(d) The department of state shall reduce the initial licensure application fee by one-half for any application submitted by a military spouse under this subdivision.

- § 4. Section 72 of the general business law is amended by adding a new subdivision 5 to read as follows:
- 6 5. (a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, any 7 applicant seeking to qualify for a license pursuant to this section who is the spouse of an active duty member of the armed forces of the United 8 9 States, national guard or reserves as defined in 10 U.S.C. sections 10 1209 and 1211, and such spouse is transferred by the military to this state shall be afforded an expedited review of his or her application 11 for licensure. Such application shall be on a form prescribed by the 12 department of state and shall include an attestation by the applicant of 13 the military status of his or her spouse and any other such supporting 14 15 documentation that such department may require. Upon review of such 16 application, the department of state shall issue a license to the applicant if the applicant holds a license in good standing in another state 17 and in the opinion of such department, the requirements for licensure of 18 19 such other state are substantially equivalent to the requirements for 20 licensure in this state.
- 21 (b) In addition to the expedited review granted in paragraph (a) of this subdivision, an applicant who provides satisfactory documentation 22 that he or she holds a license in good standing from another state, may 23 24 request the issuance of a temporary practice permit, which, if granted will permit the applicant to work under the supervision of a New York 25 26 state licensee in accordance with regulations of the secretary of state. 27 The department of state may grant such temporary practice permit when it appears based on the application and supporting documentation received 28 that the applicant will meet the requirements for licensure in this 29 state because he or she holds a license in good standing from another 30 31 state with significantly comparable licensure requirements to those of 32 this state, except the department of state has not been able to secure direct source verification of the applicant's underlying credentials 33 34 (e.g., receipt of original transcript, experience verification). Such 35 permit shall be valid for six months or until ten days after notification that the applicant does not meet the qualifications for licensure. 36 An additional six months may be granted upon a determination by the 37 department of state that the applicant is expected to qualify for the 38 39 full license upon receipt of the remaining direct source verification documents requested by the department of state in such time period and 40 41 that the delay in providing the necessary documentation for full licen-42 sure was due to extenuating circumstances which the military spouse 43 could not avoid.
 - (c) A temporary practice permit issued under paragraph (b) of this subdivision shall be subject to the full disciplinary and regulatory authority of the department of state, pursuant to this article, as if such authorization were a license issued under this article.
 - (d) The department of state shall reduce the initial licensure application fee by one-half for any application submitted by a military spouse under this subdivision.
- 51 § 5. Section 89-h of the general business law is amended by adding a 52 new subdivision 12 to read as follows:
- 12. (a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, any
 applicant seeking to qualify for a registration card pursuant to this
 section who is the spouse of an active duty member of the armed forces
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sections 1209 and 1211, and such spouse is transferred by the military 1 to this state shall be afforded an expedited review of his or her appli-2 3 cation for registration. Such application shall be on a form prescribed 4 by the department and shall include an attestation by the applicant of 5 the military status of his or her spouse and any other such supporting 6 documentation that such department may require. Upon review of such application, the department shall issue a registration card to the 7 8 applicant if the applicant holds a registration card in good standing in 9 another state and in the opinion of such department, the requirements for registration of such other state are substantially equivalent to the 10 11 requirements for registration in this state.

(b) In addition to the expedited review granted in paragraph (a) of this subdivision, an applicant who provides satisfactory documentation that he or she holds a registration card in good standing from another state, may request the issuance of a temporary practice permit, which, if granted will permit the applicant to work under the supervision of a New York state registrant in accordance with regulations of the secretary. The department may grant such temporary practice permit when it appears based on the application and supporting documentation received that the applicant will meet the requirements for registration in this state because he or she holds a registration card in good standing from another state with significantly comparable registration requirements to those of this state, except the department has not been able to secure direct source verification of the applicant's underlying credentials (e.g., receipt of original transcript, experience verification). Such permit shall be valid for six months or until ten days after notification that the applicant does not meet the qualifications for registration. An additional six months may be granted upon a determination by the department that the applicant is expected to qualify for the full registration card upon receipt of the remaining direct source verification documents requested by the department in such time period and that the delay in providing the necessary documentation for full registration was due to extenuating circumstances which the military spouse could not avoid.

- (c) A temporary practice permit issued under paragraph (b) of this subdivision shall be subject to the full disciplinary and regulatory authority of the department, pursuant to this article, as if such authorization were a registration card issued under this article.
- (d) The department shall reduce the initial registration application fee by one-half for any application submitted by a military spouse under this subdivision.
- 42 § 6. Section 406 of the general business law is amended by adding a 43 new subdivision 5 to read as follows:
- 44 5. (a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, any 45 applicant seeking to qualify for a license pursuant to this article who 46 is the spouse of an active duty member of the armed forces of the United 47 States, national quard or reserves as defined in 10 U.S.C. sections 1209 and 1211, and such spouse is transferred by the military to this 48 state shall be afforded an expedited review of his or her application 49 for licensure. Such application shall be on a form prescribed by the 50 51 department and shall include an attestation by the applicant of the military status of his or her spouse and any other such supporting 52 53 documentation that such department may require. Upon review of such 54 application, the department shall issue a license to the applicant if the applicant holds a license in good standing in another state and in 55 56 the opinion of such department, the requirements for licensure of such

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- (b) In addition to the expedited review granted in paragraph (a) of 3 4 this subdivision, an applicant who provides satisfactory documentation 5 that he or she holds a license in good standing from another state, may 6 request the issuance of a temporary practice permit, which, if granted 7 will permit the applicant to work under the supervision of a New York 8 state licensee in accordance with regulations of the secretary. The 9 department may grant such temporary practice permit when it appears 10 based on the application and supporting documentation received that the 11 applicant will meet the requirements for licensure in this state because he or she holds a license in good standing from another state with 12 13 significantly comparable licensure requirements to those of this state, 14 except the department has not been able to secure direct source verification of the applicant's underlying credentials (e.g., receipt of 15 16 original transcript, experience verification). Such permit shall be 17 valid for six months or until ten days after notification that the applicant does not meet the qualifications for licensure. An additional 18 19 six months may be granted upon a determination by the department that 20 the applicant is expected to qualify for the full license upon receipt 21 of the remaining direct source verification documents requested by the department in such time period and that the delay in providing the 22 necessary documentation for full licensure was due to extenuating 23 24 circumstances which the military spouse could not avoid.
- 25 (c) A temporary practice permit issued under paragraph (b) of this 26 subdivision shall be subject to the full disciplinary and regulatory 27 authority of the department, pursuant to this article, as if such 28 authorization were a license issued under this article.
 - (d) The department shall reduce the initial licensure application fee by one-half for any application submitted by a military spouse under this subdivision.
- 32 § 7. Section 899-e of the general business law is amended by adding a 33 new subdivision 7 to read as follows:
 - 7. (a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, any applicant seeking to qualify for a certificate of registration pursuant to this section who is the spouse of an active duty member of the armed forces of the United States, national quard or reserves as defined in 10 U.S.C. sections 1209 and 1211, and such spouse is transferred by the military to this state shall be afforded an expedited review of his or her application for a certificate of registration. Such application shall be on a form prescribed by the department of state and shall include an attestation by the applicant of the military status of his or her spouse and any other such supporting documentation that such department may require. Upon review of such application, the department of state shall issue a certificate of registration to the applicant if the applicant holds a certificate of registration in good standing in another state and in the opinion of such department, the requirements for registration of such other state are substantially equivalent to the requirements for registration in this state.
- (b) In addition to the expedited review granted in paragraph (a) of this subdivision, an applicant who provides satisfactory documentation that he or she holds a certificate of registration in good standing from another state, may request the issuance of a temporary practice permit, which, if granted will permit the applicant to work under the supervision of a New York state registrant in accordance with regulations of the secretary of state. The department of state may grant such temporary

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- (c) A temporary practice permit issued under paragraph (b) of this subdivision shall be subject to the full disciplinary and regulatory authority of the department of state, pursuant to this section, as if such authorization were a certificate of registration issued under this section.
- (d) The department of state shall reduce the initial certificate of registration application fee by one-half for any application submitted by a military spouse under this subdivision.
 - § 8. Section 160-n of the executive law, as amended by chapter 397 of the laws of 1991, is amended to read as follows:
- § 160-n. Nonresident certification and licensing by reciprocity. 1. If, in the determination of the board, the certification or licensing process has not been disapproved by the appraisal subcommittee of the federal financial institutions examination council, an applicant who is certified under the laws of such other state may obtain a certificate as a state certified real estate appraiser or a license as a state licensed real estate appraiser in this state upon such terms and conditions as may be determined by the department.
- 35 2. (a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, any 36 applicant seeking to qualify for a license pursuant to this section who is the spouse of an active duty member of the armed forces of the United 37 States, national quard or reserves as defined in 10 U.S.C. sections 38 1209 and 1211, and such spouse is transferred by the military to this 39 state shall be afforded an expedited review of his or her application 40 41 for licensure. Such application shall be on a form prescribed by the 42 department and shall include an attestation by the applicant of the 43 military status of his or her spouse and any other such supporting 44 documentation that such department may require. Upon review of such 45 application, the department shall issue a license to the applicant if 46 the applicant holds a license in good standing in another state and in 47 the opinion of such department, the requirements for licensure of such other state are substantially equivalent to the requirements for licen-48 49 sure in this state, including those described in subdivision one of this 50 section.
- (b) In addition to the expedited review granted in paragraph (a) of
 this subdivision, an applicant who provides satisfactory documentation
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- (c) A temporary practice permit issued under paragraph (b) of this subdivision shall be subject to the full disciplinary and regulatory authority of the department, pursuant to this section, as if such authorization were a license issued under this section.
- 21 (d) The department shall reduce the initial licensure application fee 22 by one-half for any application submitted by a military spouse under 23 this section.
 - § 9. Subdivision 1 of section 25.13 of the arts and cultural affairs law, as amended by chapter 374 of the laws of 2007, is amended to read as follows:
- 27 1. (a) No person, firm or corporation shall resell or engage in the 28 business of reselling any tickets to a place of entertainment or operate 29 an internet website or any other electronic service that provides a 30 mechanism for two or more parties to participate in a resale transaction 31 or that facilitates resale transactions by the means of an auction, or 32 conduct or maintain any office, branch office, bureau, agency or 33 sub-agency for such business without having first procured a license or 34 certificate for each location at which business will be conducted from 35 the secretary of state. Any operator or manager of a website that serves 36 as a platform to facilitate resale, or resale by way of a competitive 37 bidding process, solely between third parties and does not in any other 38 manner engage in resales of tickets to places of entertainment shall be 39 exempt from the licensing requirements of this section. The department of state shall issue and deliver to such applicant a certificate or 40 41 license to conduct such business and to own, conduct or maintain a 42 bureau, agency, sub-agency, office or branch office for the conduct of 43 such business on the premises stated in such application upon the payment by or on behalf of the applicant of a fee of five thousand 44 45 dollars and shall be renewed upon the payment of a like fee annually. 46 Such license or certificate shall not be transferred or assigned, except 47 by permission of the secretary of state. Such license or certificate shall run to the first day of January next ensuing the date thereof, 48 unless sooner revoked by the secretary of state. Such license or certif-49 50 icate shall be granted upon a written application setting forth such 51 information as the secretary of state may require in order to enable him 52 her to carry into effect the provisions of this article and shall be 53 accompanied by proof satisfactory to the secretary of state of the moral 54 character of the applicant.
 - (b) (i) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, any applicant seeking to qualify for a license or certificate pursuant to

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this section who is the spouse of an active duty member of the armed 2 forces of the United States, national quard or reserves as defined in 10 3 U.S.C. sections 1209 and 1211, and such spouse is transferred by the 4 military to this state shall be afforded an expedited review of his or 5 her application for licensure or certification. Such application shall 6 be on a form prescribed by the department of state and shall include an 7 attestation by the applicant of the military status of his or her spouse 8 and any other such supporting documentation that such department may require. Upon review of such application, the department of state shall 9 10 issue a license or certificate to the applicant if the applicant holds a 11 license or certificate in good standing in another state and in the opinion of such department, the requirements for licensure or certif-12 13 ication of such other state are substantially equivalent to the require-14 ments for licensure or certification in this state.

(ii) In addition to the expedited review granted in subparagraph (i) of this paragraph, an applicant who provides satisfactory documentation that he or she holds a license or certificate in good standing from another state, may request the issuance of a temporary practice permit, which, if granted will permit the applicant to work under the supervision of a New York state licensee or individual who is certified in accordance with regulations of the secretary of state. The department of state may grant such temporary practice permit when it appears based on the application and supporting documentation received that the applicant will meet the requirements for licensure or certification in this state because he or she holds a license or certificate in good standing from another state with significantly comparable licensure requirements to those of this state, except the department of state has not been able to secure direct source verification of the applicant's underlying credentials (e.g., receipt of original transcript, experience verification). Such permit shall be valid for six months or until ten days after notification that the applicant does not meet the qualifications for licensure or certification. An additional six months may be granted upon a determination by the department of state that the applicant is expected to qualify for the full license or certification upon receipt of the remaining direct source verification documents requested by the department of state in such time period and that the delay in providing the necessary documentation for full licensure or certification was due to extenuating circumstances which the military spouse could not avoid.

(iii) A temporary practice permit issued under subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph shall be subject to the full disciplinary and regulatory authority of the department of state, pursuant to this article, as if such authorization were a license or certificate issued under this article.

(iv) The department of state shall reduce the initial licensure or 45 certification application fee by one-half for any application submitted 46 by a military spouse under this subdivision.

§ 10. This act shall take effect immediately; provided, however, that the amendments made by section nine of this act shall not affect the repeal and reversion of such article and shall be deemed repealed therewith.