



GOV. MSG. NO. 1350

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NEIL ABERCROMBIE
GOVERNOR

July 06, 2012

The Honorable Shan Tsutsui, President
and Members of the Senate
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

The Honorable Calvin Say, Speaker
and Members of the House
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 431
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear President Tsutsui, Speaker Say and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on July 06, 2012, the following bill was signed into law:

HB2257 HD1 SD1

RELATING TO PROFESSIONAL AND
VOCATIONAL LICENSING.
Act 247 (12)

Sincerely,
A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Neil Abercrombie".

NEIL ABERCROMBIE
Governor, State of Hawaii

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Approved by the Governor

on JUL 6 2012

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE, 2012
STATE OF HAWAII

ORIGINAL

ACT 247

H.B. NO. 2257
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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PROFESSIONAL AND VOCATIONAL LICENSING.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 436B, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by adding two new sections to be appropriately
3 designated and to read as follows:

4 "§436B- Licensure by endorsement or licensure by
5 reciprocity; experience requirements. (a) Unless otherwise
6 provided by law, an applicant for licensure by endorsement or
7 licensure by reciprocity who is a nonresident military spouse
8 may demonstrate competency in a specific profession or vocation
9 as determined by the licensing authority in lieu of a
10 requirement that the applicant has worked or practiced in that
11 profession or vocation for a specified period of time prior to
12 the application for licensure by endorsement or licensure by
13 reciprocity.

14 (b) The licensing authority shall expedite consideration
15 of the application and issuance of a license by endorsement or
16 license by reciprocity to a nonresident military spouse who
17 meets the requirements of this section.



1 §436B- Licensure by endorsement or licensure by
2 reciprocity; initial acceptance by affidavit; temporary license.

3 (a) If a nonresident military spouse holds a current license in
4 another state, district, or territory of the United States with
5 licensure requirements that the licensing authority determines
6 are equivalent to or exceed those established by the licensing
7 authority of this State, that nonresident military spouse shall
8 receive a license pursuant to applicable statutes or
9 requirements of the licensing authority of this State regarding
10 licensure by endorsement or licensure by reciprocity; provided
11 that the nonresident military spouse:

12 (1) Has not committed an act in any jurisdiction that
13 would have constituted grounds for the limitation,
14 suspension, or revocation of a license; has never been
15 censured or had other disciplinary action taken; has
16 not had an application for licensure denied; or has
17 not refused to practice a profession or vocation for
18 which the nonresident military spouse seeks licensure;

19 (2) Has not been disciplined by a licensing or
20 credentialing entity in another jurisdiction; is not
21 the subject of an unresolved complaint, review
22 procedure, or disciplinary proceeding conducted by a

1 licensing or credentialing entity in another
2 jurisdiction; and has not surrendered membership on
3 any professional staff in any professional
4 association, society, or faculty for another state or
5 licensing jurisdiction while under investigation or to
6 avoid adverse action for acts or conduct similar to
7 acts or conduct which would constitute grounds for
8 disciplinary action in this State;

9 (3) Pays any fees required by the licensing authority of
10 this State; and

11 (4) Submits with the application a signed affidavit
12 stating that application information, including
13 necessary prior employment history, is true and
14 accurate. Upon receiving the affidavit, the licensing
15 authority shall issue the license to the nonresident
16 military spouse and may revoke the license at any time
17 if the information provided in the application is
18 found to be false.

19 (b) The licensing authority shall issue to the nonresident
20 military spouse a temporary license to allow the nonresident
21 military spouse to perform specified services, under the
22 supervision of a professional licensed by this State if



1 appropriate, while completing any requirements necessary for
2 licensure in this State; provided that a temporary license shall
3 only be issued in those professions where credentials,
4 experience, or passage of a national exam is substantially
5 equivalent to or exceed those established by the licensing
6 authority of this State.

7 (c) The licensing authority shall expedite consideration
8 of the application and issuance of a license by endorsement,
9 license by reciprocity, or temporary license to a nonresident
10 military spouse who meets the requirements of this section."

11 SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.

12 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2012.

APPROVED this 6 day of JUL, 2012



GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

