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Introduced by:
(VA)

**AN ACT CONCERNING PROFESSIONAL LICENSES OF MEMBERS
OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES AND THE CONNECTICUT
NATIONAL GUARD.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 19a-88b of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2007*):

3 (a) (1) Notwithstanding section 19a-14 or any other provision of the
4 general statutes relating to continuing education or refresher training,
5 the Department of Public Health shall renew a license, certificate,
6 permit or registration issued to an individual pursuant to chapters
7 368d, 368v, 371 to 378, inclusive, 379a to 388, inclusive, 393a, 395, 398,
8 399, 400a and 400c that becomes void pursuant to section 19a-88 or
9 19a-195b while the holder of the license, certificate, permit or
10 registration is on active duty in the armed forces of the United States,
11 or such holder is a member of the National Guard ordered out by the
12 Governor for military service, not later than [six months] one year
13 from the date of discharge from active duty or ordered military
14 service, upon completion of any continuing education or refresher
15 training required to renew a license, certificate, registration or permit

16 that has not become void pursuant to section 19a-88 or 19a-195b. A
17 licensee applying for license renewal pursuant to this [section]
18 subdivision shall submit an application on a form prescribed by the
19 department and other such documentation as may be required by the
20 department.

21 (2) Notwithstanding section 19a-14 or any other provisions of the
22 general statutes relating to continuing education, the Department of
23 Public Health shall renew a license issued to an individual pursuant to
24 chapter 370 that becomes void pursuant to section 19a-88 while the
25 holder of the license is on active duty in the armed forces of the United
26 States, not later than one year from the date of discharge from active
27 duty, upon completion of twenty-five contact hours of continuing
28 education that meet the criteria set forth in subsection (b) of section 20-
29 10b. A licensee applying for license renewal pursuant to this
30 subdivision shall submit an application on a form prescribed by the
31 department and other such documentation as may be required by the
32 department.

33 (3) Notwithstanding section 19a-14 or any other provision of the
34 general statutes relating to continuing education, the Department of
35 Public Health shall renew a license issued to an individual pursuant to
36 chapter 379 that becomes void pursuant to section 19a-88 while the
37 holder of the license is on active duty in the armed forces of the United
38 States, not later than one year from the date of discharge from active
39 duty, upon completion of twelve contact hours of continuing
40 education that meet the criteria set forth in subsection (b) of section 20-
41 126c. A licensee applying for license renewal pursuant to this
42 subdivision shall submit an application on a form prescribed by the
43 department and other such documentation as may be required by the
44 department.

45 (4) Notwithstanding section 19a-14 or any other provision of the
46 general statutes relating to continuing education, the Department of
47 Public Health shall renew a license issued to an individual pursuant to

48 chapter 381a that becomes void pursuant to section 19a-88 while the
49 holder of the license is on active duty in the armed forces of the United
50 States, not later than one year from the date of discharge from active
51 duty, upon completion of six contact hours of continuing education
52 that meet the criteria set forth in section 20-162r. A licensee applying
53 for license renewal pursuant to this subdivision shall submit an
54 application on a form prescribed by the department and other such
55 documentation as may be required by the department.

56 (b) The provisions of this section [do] shall not apply to reservists or
57 National Guard members on active duty for annual training that is a
58 regularly scheduled obligation for reservists or members of the
59 National Guard for training that is not a part of mobilization.

60 (c) No license shall be issued under this section to any applicant (1)
61 against whom professional disciplinary action is pending, or (2) who is
62 the subject of an unresolved complaint.

63 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2007*) (a) Notwithstanding any
64 provision of the general statutes, each executive branch agency,
65 department, board, commission or official, other than the Department
66 of Public Health, responsible for the issuance of a license, certificate,
67 permit or registration required by the general statutes for the practice
68 of a profession shall renew the license, certificate, permit or
69 registration issued to an individual which expires while the individual
70 is (1) on active duty in the armed forces of the United States, or (2) a
71 member of the National Guard when ordered out by the Governor for
72 military service. Such renewal shall be valid for a period of one year
73 from the date of such individual's discharge from active duty or
74 ordered military service, or until the date the individual successfully
75 renews the license in accordance with this section and the general
76 statutes, whichever occurs first. Such individual applying for renewal
77 of a license, certificate, permit or registration shall submit to the
78 agency, department, board, commission or official such documentation
79 as may be required by such agency, department, board, commission or

80 official.

81 (b) The provisions of this section shall not apply to reservists or
82 National Guard members on active duty for annual training that is a
83 regularly scheduled obligation for reservists or members of the
84 National Guard for training which is not a part of mobilization.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	19a-88b
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To provide that certain professional licenses, certificates, permits and registrations issued to members of the United States armed forces or members of the National Guard do not lapse while such members are on active duty.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]