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§ 12-20-301. Definitions

As used in this article, unless the context otherwise requires:

(1) "Agency" means an agency of the state that regulates a profession or occupation under this title 12.

(2) "Authority to practice" or "authorized to practice" means the holding of a currently valid license to practice in a profession or occupation or a currently valid certification or registration necessary to practice in a profession or occupation if the person is licensed, certified, or registered under this title 12 or a substantially similar law in another state.

(3) "Military spouse" means the spouse of a person who is actively serving in the United States armed forces and who is stationed in Colorado in accordance with military orders.

§ 12-20-304. Military spouse--authority to practice--reciprocity--notice

(1) Notwithstanding any other part or article of this title 12, a person need not obtain authority to practice an occupation or profession under this title 12 during the person’s first year of residence in Colorado if:

(a) The person is a military spouse who is authorized to practice that occupation or profession in another state;

(b) Other than the person's lack of licensure, registration, or certification in Colorado, there is no basis to disqualify the person under this title 12; and

(c) The person consents, as a condition of practicing in Colorado, to be subject to the jurisdiction and disciplinary authority of the appropriate agency.

(2) If a person who is practicing in Colorado under this section applies for authority to continue to practice after the first year under a part or article of this title 12, the applicant shall notify the agency receiving the application of the following:
Military Spouse License Transfer Options

(a) The applicant is currently practicing in Colorado under this section;
(b) The date the applicant began practicing in Colorado; and
(c) The name and contact information of any person employing the applicant to practice in Colorado.

(3) If an agency denies the application for authority to practice under this title 12, the agency shall notify the employer that the person was denied authority to continue to practice under this title 12.

(4) This section does not:

(a) Prevent an agency from entering into a reciprocity agreement with the regulating authority of another state or jurisdiction if otherwise authorized by law; and
(b) Apply to the authority to practice under article 120, 240, or 275 of this title 12.

§ 12-20-305. Rules

The director may promulgate rules reasonably necessary to implement this part 3.