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Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB421

Chairperson: Senator Kathy Campbell

Committee: Health and Human Services

Date of Hearing: February 08, 2013

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

Veterans find that military experience does not always translate into the civilian work world. Many U.S. Companies, and some veterans themselves, do not know how to translate military experience into civilian job skills. There is a disconnect between company requirements and confusing descriptions of military experience.

LB 421 specifies that boards issuing credentials under the Uniform Credentialing Act shall consider a veteran's education, training and experience when determining if the veteran meets the requirements for a credentialed profession.

The intent of this provision is to encourage Nebraska licensing boards to help translate military education, training and experience into skills relevant to civilian employers and to encourage the licensing boards to recognize military education, training and experience when determining whether an applicant meets the requirements for a particular credential.

LB 421 also provides that a veteran may use a valid license from another state to obtain the same license in Nebraska and that a veteran may receive a temporary license while he renews a license in good standing.

The intent of this provision is to assist veterans who have previously obtained a professional credential by making this credential more portable.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Amanda McGill