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STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT

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Bill Number:	H. 4607	Introduced on January 13, 2026
Subject:	Military Skills to Civilian Licensure Act	
Requestor:	House Medical, Military, Public, and Municipal Affairs	
RFA Analyst(s):	Welsh	
Impact Date:	March 24, 2026 - Updated for Additional Agency Response	

Fiscal Impact Summary

This bill establishes the Military Skills to Civilian Licensure Act. This bill requires licensing boards to accept documented military education, training, and experience as credit towards licensure when substantially equivalent to existing requirements. This bill also requires a written explanation within thirty days if a licensure is denied. Further, this bill requires applications from veterans and military spouses to be processed within twenty business days, with temporary licensure issued, when competency is established but examination results are pending.

The Department of Public Health (DPH) oversees licensure, certification, permitting, and regulation of certain professionals such as midwives, emergency medical technicians, and hearing aid specialists. DPH indicates that if the bill applies to these professionals, the agency can manage any additional responsibilities due to the bill with existing staff and within existing appropriations. Therefore, the bill is not expected to have an expenditure impact on DPH.

The Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation (LLR) anticipates this bill will have no expenditure impact as the agency can manage any additional responsibilities due to this bill with existing staff and within existing appropriations. LLR notes its boards currently consider military training and experience in licensure determinations pursuant to Section 40-1-640 and that process has not had a significant fiscal impact.

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Explanation of Fiscal Impact

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State Expenditure

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State Revenue

N/A

Local Expenditure

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