

HR 2650

Military Spouse Licensing Relief Act of 2021

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Rep. Axne, Cynthia [D-IA-3]	D · IA		Jul 19, 2021
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Rep. McMorris Rodgers, Cathy [R-WA-5]	R · WA		Nov 1, 2021
Rep. DelBene, Suzan K. [D-WA-1]	D · WA		Nov 9, 2021
Rep. Crow, Jason [D-CO-6]	D · CO		Nov 30, 2021
Rep. Van Duyne, Beth [R-TX-24]	R · TX		Jan 20, 2022
Rep. Neguse, Joe [D-CO-2]	D · CO		May 20, 2022
Rep. Ellzey, Jake [R-TX-6]	R · TX		Jun 17, 2022

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Hearings By (subcommittee)	May 18, 2022

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 S 1084	Related bill	Apr 13, 2021: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Armed Services.

Summary (as of Apr 19, 2021)

Military Spouse Licensing Relief Act of 2021

This bill provides for the portability of professional licenses of service members and their spouses who are relocated, because of military orders, outside of the jurisdiction that issued the license.

Specifically, a professional license in good standing of a service member or spouse shall be considered valid at a similar scope of practice and in the discipline applied for in the new jurisdiction for the duration of such military orders.

To establish and maintain eligibility, a service member or spouse must (1) provide a copy of the military orders to the licensing authority in the new jurisdiction; (2) remain in good standing with the licensing authority that issued the license; and (3) submit to the authority of the licensing authority in the new jurisdiction for the purposes of standards of practice, discipline, and fulfillment of any continuing education requirements.

The bill also provides that if a service member or spouse is licensed to operate in multiple jurisdictions through an interstate licensure compact, the service member or spouse is subject to the requirements of the compact or the applicable provisions of the state law rather than the provisions of this bill.

Actions Timeline

- **May 18, 2022:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Jul 14, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
- **Apr 19, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 19, 2021:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.