

SENATE SUBSTITUTE
FOR
SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
FOR
SENATE BILL NO. 88
AN ACT

To amend chapter 324, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to professional licensing.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 324, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto
2 one new section, to be known as section 324.004, to read as
3 follows:

324.004. 1. Any person who has at least three years
2 of work experience in an occupation or profession in another
3 state, the District of Columbia, or any combination of such
4 jurisdictions, and whose work experience involved the
5 practice of an occupation or profession for which a license
6 is not required in the jurisdiction or jurisdictions in
7 which the person worked but is required in this state, may
8 submit an application for a one-time nonrenewable two-year
9 temporary license in this state in the occupation or
10 profession, along with proof of at least three years of work
11 experience in the occupation or profession, and a fee as set
12 by regulation of the oversight body, to the relevant
13 oversight body in this state. The oversight body shall make
14 a determination of qualification within forty-five days of
15 receiving a completed application. As used in this section,
16 "oversight body" shall mean any board, department, agency,
17 or office of a jurisdiction that issues licenses.

18 2. The oversight body shall require an applicant to
19 take and pass the profession-specific examination required
20 for licensure by those applying pursuant to the provisions

21 of the oversight body's statutory and regulatory authority.
22 An oversight body that administers an examination on the
23 laws of this state as part of its licensing application
24 requirements may require an applicant under this section to
25 take and pass an examination specific to the laws of this
26 state.

27 3. The oversight body shall not issue a one-time
28 nonrenewable temporary license to any applicant described in
29 subsection 1 of this section who has had any license in the
30 relevant occupation or profession revoked by an oversight
31 body outside of this state, who is currently under
32 investigation, who has a complaint pending, or who is
33 currently under disciplinary action.

34 4. Applicants for the one-time nonrenewable temporary
35 license shall be citizens of the United States and shall
36 submit legal proof of citizenship as part of the application.

37 5. The provisions of this section shall not apply to
38 the following:

39 (1) Any occupation whose oversight body has entered
40 into a licensing compact with another state for the
41 regulation of practice under the oversight body's
42 jurisdiction. The provisions of this section shall not be
43 construed to alter the authority granted by, or any
44 requirements promulgated pursuant to, any
45 interjurisdictional or interstate compacts adopted by this
46 state or any reciprocity agreements with other states, and
47 whenever possible the provisions of this section shall be
48 interpreted so as to imply no conflict between it and any
49 compact or any reciprocity agreement with other states;

50 (2) Any occupation set forth in subsection 6 of
51 section 290.257 or any electrical contractor licensed under
52 sections 324.900 to 324.945;

53 (3) Any occupation whose regulators or licensees are
54 required to comply with specific federal statutory,
55 regulatory, and administrative requirements in order to
56 practice in Missouri; or

57 (4) Assistant physicians licensed under chapter 334.

58 6. The one-time nonrenewable temporary license shall
59 expire after two years. Upon expiration, the individual
60 shall be required to apply for a permanent license in
61 accordance with the license requirements for the occupation
62 for which he or she held the temporary license.

63 7. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the
64 contrary, a license issued under this section shall be valid
65 only in this state and shall not make a licensee eligible to
66 be part of an interstate compact. An applicant who is
67 licensed in another state pursuant to an interstate compact
68 shall not be eligible for licensure by an oversight body
69 under the provisions of this section.

70 8. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the
71 contrary, a license issued under this section shall be valid
72 only in this state and shall not make a licensee eligible to
73 obtain a license by reciprocity in another state.

74 9. The provisions of this section shall only apply to
75 professions or occupations for which a license is issued by
76 an oversight body as of January 1, 2023.

77 10. The division of professional registration may
78 promulgate rules to implement the provisions of this
79 section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is
80 defined in section 536.010, that is created under the
81 authority delegated in this section shall become effective
82 only if it complies with and is subject to all of the
83 provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section
84 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and
85 if any of the powers vested with the general assembly

86 pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective
87 date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently
88 held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking
89 authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28,
90 2023, shall be invalid and void.