

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.

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*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 one-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 may require an applicant to take  
19 and pass the profession-specific examination required for  
20 licensure by those applying pursuant to the provisions of

21 the oversight body's statutory and regulatory authority. An  
22 oversight body that administers an examination on the laws  
23 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. The oversight body may require the applicant to  
35 submit to federal and state fingerprint or other biometric  
36 background checks.

37 5. Applicants for the one-time nonrenewable temporary  
38 license shall be citizens of the United States and shall  
39 submit legal proof of citizenship as part of the application.

40 6. The provisions of this section shall not apply to  
41 the following:

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

53           (2) Any occupation set forth in subsection 6 of  
54 section 290.257 or any electrical contractor licensed under  
55 sections 324.900 to 324.945.

56           7. The one-time nonrenewable temporary license shall  
57 expire after one year. Upon expiration, the oversight body  
58 shall issue a permanent license to the individual in the  
59 occupation for which he or she held the one-time,  
60 nonrenewable temporary license, unless the individual is  
61 currently under investigation, has a complaint pending, or  
62 is currently under disciplinary action.

63           8. 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           9. 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           10. The division of professional registration may  
75 promulgate rules to implement the provisions of this  
76 section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is  
77 defined in section 536.010, that is created under the  
78 authority delegated in this section shall become effective  
79 only if it complies with and is subject to all of the  
80 provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section  
81 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and  
82 if any of the powers vested with the general assembly  
83 pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective  
84 date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently  
85 held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking

86 authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28,  
87 2023, shall be invalid and void.