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SYNOPSIS

Exempts honorably discharged United States military veterans from initial insurance producer licensing fee.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.



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AN ACT concerning insurance producer licensing and amending 1 2 P.L.2001, c.210. 3 4 BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State 5 of New Jersey: 6 7 1. Section 19 of P.L.2001, c.210 (C.17:22A-44) is amended to 8 read as follows: 9 19. a. The commissioner shall, by regulation, set reasonable, necessary and appropriate fees to be charged for licensing insurance 10 producers, filing agency appointments, filing limited insurance 11 12 producer registrations, filing fictitious, trade or firm names, issuing 13 certification of license status and processing any document required 14 to be submitted pursuant to this act, except that the total annual 15 revenue generated from these fees shall not be less than the total annual revenue generated from equivalent fees for the preceding 16 17 fiscal year. 18 b. Applicants may be charged a fee for any licensing 19 examination conducted pursuant to this act in an amount designated 20 or approved by the commissioner. 21 c. All fees payable to the commissioner pursuant to this section 22 are nonrefundable. 23 The commissioner may, by rule or regulation, provide for d. 24 the waiving of fees for disabled war veterans of the United States 25 military service. 26 e. The commissioner shall waive the initial licensing fee imposed by subsection a. of this section for any applicant who is a 27 28 veteran who has been discharged honorably or under honorable 29 conditions from a branch of the active or reserve component of the 30 Armed Forces of the United States or the National Guard of any state, provided that the applicant has passed the licensing 31 32 examination and fulfilled any other requirements for licensure. Following the waiver of the initial licensing fee, the licensee shall 33 34 comply with any fees imposed by subsection a. of this section, 35 except that nothing in this subsection shall prevent the 36 commissioner from waiving any fees pursuant to subsection d. of 37 this section. 38 (cf: P.L.2001, c.210, s.19) 39 40 2. This act shall take effect immediately 41 42 43 **STATEMENT** 44 45 This bill exempts applicants who have been honorably 46 discharged from the United States military from the initial

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in **bold-faced** brackets **[thus]** in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined <u>thus</u> is new matter.

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insurance producer licensing fee. The bill requires the 1 2 Commissioner of the Department of Banking and Insurance (the 3 "commissioner") to waive the initial insurance producer licensing fee for any applicant who is a veteran who has received an 4 5 honorable discharge from a branch of the active or reserve 6 component of the Armed Forces of the United States or the National 7 Guard of any state, provided that the applicant has passed the 8 licensing examination and fulfilled any other requirements for 9 licensure. Following the waiver of the initial licensing fee, the 10 licensee must comply with any other licensing fees imposed by law 11 or regulation.

Under current law, the commissioner may provide for the waiving of fees for disabled war veterans of the United States military service. The bill requires waiver of the initial licensing fee for all qualified applicants who have been honorably discharged from United States military service, but allows the commissioner to provide for the waiving of other fees for disabled veterans.