

**PRELIMINARY** STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

CARRIER:

House Committee on Veterans' Services and Emergency Preparedness

**REVENUE:** No revenue impact

**FISCAL:** Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

**SUBSEQUENT REFERRAL TO:** None

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**Action:**

**Vote:**

**Yeas:**

**Nays:**

**Exc.:** Cheyenne Ross, Administrator

**Meeting Dates:** 2/6

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Requires certain entities to report to appropriate legislative committees by October 1, 2014, on application of military training or experience toward licensure, certification, or other authorization to engage in a profession. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Easy for some entities to track; not easy for others
- Department of Public Safety Standards and Training's history of voluntarily crediting equivalent military training and experience prior to passage of legislation, requires highly individualized case-by-case approach not amenable to uniform tracking/reporting
- Data will enable appropriate legislative oversight and illuminate areas for improvement

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:**

**BACKGROUND:** In 2012 the legislature passed House Bill 4063, to require certain professional licensing entities to accept an applicant's substantially-similar military training or experience in lieu of the education or experience required to be licensed. This measure was followed by House Bill 2037 in 2013, to similarly expedite the issuance of licensing or certification to work, to servicemembers' spouses and domestic partners. House Bill 4057 requires the regulatory and licensing entities impacted by the previous measures, to report to the legislature by October 1, 2014.