

**Enrolled**  
**Senate Bill 1028**

Sponsored by Senators MANNING JR, THATCHER, Representative HEARD; Representatives NEARMAN, POST, SMITH DB (at the request of David Beem)

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AN ACT

Relating to educational requirements of professional licensing boards; and prescribing an effective date.

**Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

**SECTION 1.** (1) As used in this section:

(a) **“Occupational or professional service” means a service:**

(A) **That an individual must possess a license, certificate or other form of authorization to provide under the laws of this state; and**

(B) **Over which a professional licensing board has regulatory oversight.**

(b) **“Professional licensing board” means a state agency or board that licenses, certifies or otherwise authorizes individuals to provide an occupational or professional service.**

(2) **A professional licensing board that regulates an occupational or professional service and that requires up to a high school diploma or equivalent for licensure, certification or other authorization to provide the occupational or professional service may consider an applicant’s relevant experience in lieu of the required education.**

(3) **A professional licensing board may adopt rules to carry out the provisions of this section.**

**SECTION 2.** (1) **Section 1 of this 2017 Act becomes operative on January 1, 2018.**

(2) **A professional licensing board may take any action before the operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section that is necessary to enable the board to exercise, on or after the operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section, all of the duties, functions and powers conferred on the board by section 1 of this 2017 Act.**

**SECTION 3.** **This 2017 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2017 regular session of the Seventy-ninth Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.**

**Passed by Senate May 16, 2017**

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Lori L. Brocker, Secretary of Senate

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Peter Courtney, President of Senate

**Passed by House June 6, 2017**

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Tina Kotek, Speaker of House

**Received by Governor:**

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**Approved:**

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Kate Brown, Governor

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Dennis Richardson, Secretary of State