EXPEDITED RULE MAKING



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Agency: Department of Health – Dental Quality Assurance Commission

Title of rule and other identifying information: (describe subject)

Military spouses - removing barriers to temporary practice permits. The Dental Quality Assurance Commission is proposing amendments to WAC 246-817-187 Temporary practice permit - Military spouse eligibility and issuance, to update language changes made by Second Substitute House Bill (2SHB) 1009 (chapter 165, Laws of 2023).

Purpose of the proposal and its anticipated effects, including any changes in existing rules:

2SHB 1009 alters temporary practice permit requirements to expedite the issuance of professional licenses for military spouses who hold a license in another state by removing the need to first leave employment.

The proposed rule amendment aligns WAC 246-817-187 by striking language from the rule to match the changes made by 2SHB 1009 and codified in RCW 18.340.020.

Reasons supporting proposal:

The proposed changes will align the rules with statutory changes regarding licensure of military spouses who hold a license in another state.

Statutory authority f	or adoption: 65, Laws of 2023) codified	Las RCW 18 340 020		
Statute being impler	· ,	ras NOW 10.540.020.		
RCW 18.340.020				
Is rule necessary be	cause of a:			
Federal Law?			☐ Yes	⊠ No
Federal Court Decision?			☐ Yes	⊠ No
State Court Decision?			☐ Yes	⊠ No
If yes, CITATION:				
Name of proponent: (person or organization)			☐ Private	
Dental Quality Assurance Commission			☐ Public	
			⊠ Governmental	
Name of agency per	sonnel responsible for:			
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Agency c matters:	omments or recommendations, if any, as to statutory language, implementation, enforcement, and fiscal None	
Expedited	d Adoption - Which of the following criteria was used by the agency to file this notice:	
☐ Relate	s only to internal governmental operations that are not subject to violation by a person;	
rules of ot statewide	s or incorporates by reference without material change federal statutes or regulations, Washington state statutes, her Washington state agencies, shoreline master programs other than those programs governing shorelines of significance, or, as referenced by Washington state law, national consensus codes that generally establish industry, if the material adopted or incorporated regulates the same subject matter and conduct as the adopting or ing rule;	
	ets typographical errors, make address or name changes, or clarify language of a rule without changing its effect;	
	nt is explicitly and specifically dictated by statute;	
participati	peen the subject of negotiated rule making, pilot rule making, or some other process that involved substantial on by interested parties before the development of the proposed rule; or g amended after a review under RCW 34.05.328.	
Expedited	d Repeal - Which of the following criteria was used by the agency to file notice:	
	atute on which the rule is based has been repealed and has not been replaced by another statute providing	
	authority for the rule; atute on which the rule is based has been declared unconstitutional by a court with jurisdiction, there is a final	
	and no statute has been enacted to replace the unconstitutional statute;	
	le is no longer necessary because of changed circumstances; or	
	rules of the agency or of another agency govern the same activity as the rule, making the rule redundant.	
	on of the reason the agency believes the expedited rule-making process is appropriate pursuant to RCW	
34.05.353	(4):	
The propo	used amendments align WAC 246-817-187 with the statutory language in RCW 18.340.020.	
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- WAC 246-817-187 Temporary practice permit—Military spouse eligibility and issuance. A military spouse or state registered domestic partner of a military person may receive a temporary practice permit while completing any specific additional requirements that are not related to training or practice standards for the profession. This section applies to dentists licensed in chapter 18.32 RCW, expanded function dental auxiliaries licensed and dental assistants registered in chapter 18.260 RCW, and dental anesthesia assistants certified in chapter 18.350 RCW.
- (1) A temporary practice permit may be issued to an applicant who is a military spouse or state registered domestic partner of a military person and:
- (a) Is moving to Washington as a result of the military person's transfer to Washington;
- (b) ((Left employment in another state to accompany the military person to Washington;
- (c))) Holds an unrestricted, active credential in another state that has substantially equivalent credentialing standards for the same profession to those in Washington; and
- $((\frac{d}{d}))$ <u>(c)</u> Is not subject to any pending investigation, charges, or disciplinary action by the regulatory body of the other state or states.
- (2) A temporary practice permit grants the individual the full scope of practice for the profession.
- (3) A temporary practice permit expires when any one of the following occurs:
 - (a) The credential is granted;
- (b) A notice of decision on the application is mailed to the applicant, unless the notice of decision on the application specifically extends the duration of the temporary practice permit; or
- (c) One hundred eighty days after the temporary practice permit is issued.
 - (4) To receive a temporary practice permit, the applicant must:
- (a) Submit the necessary application, fee(s), fingerprint card if required, and documentation for the credential;
- (b) ((Attest on the application that the applicant left employment in another state to accompany the military person;
- $\frac{(c)}{(c)}$) Meet all requirements and qualifications for the credential that are specific to the training, education, and practice standards for the profession;
- $((\frac{d}{d}))$ <u>(c)</u> Provide verification of having an active unrestricted credential in the same profession from another state that has substantially equivalent credentialing standards for the profession in Washington;
- $((\frac{(e)}{(e)}))$ <u>(d)</u> Submit a copy of the military person's orders and a copy of:
- (i) The military-issued identification card showing the military person's information and the applicant's relationship to the military person;
 - (ii) A marriage license; or
 - (iii) A state registered domestic partnership; and

- $((\frac{f}{f}))$ <u>(e)</u> Submit a written request for a temporary practice permit.
- (5) For the purposes of this section:(a) "Military person" means a person serving in the United States armed forces, the United States public health service commissioned corps, or the merchant marine of the United States.
- (b) "Military spouse" means the husband, wife, or registered domestic partner of a military person.

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