


MEMORANDUM

DATE	May 2, 2017
TO	Policy and Advocacy Committee
FROM	 Konnor Leitzell Central Services Student Assistant
SUBJECT	Agenda Item #6(c)(37) – SB 27 (Morrell) Professions and Vocations: Licenses: Military Service.

Background:

This bill would require every board within the Department of Consumer Affairs to grant a fee waiver for the application for and the issuance of an initial license for applicants who supply to the board satisfactory evidence that the applicant has served as an active duty member of the California National Guard or the United States Armed Forces and was honorably discharged. The bill would require that a veteran be granted only one fee waiver, unless the board charges a fee for the application for a license and another fee for the issuance of a license.

Location: Senate Committee on Appropriations

Status: 04/26/17 Do pass and re-refer to Senate Committee on Appropriations

Votes: 04/25/17 Senate Committee on Veteran Affairs (7-0-0)
04/03/2017 Senate Committee on Business, Professions and Economic
Development (9-0-0)

Action Requested:

No action is required at this time. Staff will continue to watch SB 27 (Morrell) due to the impact the fee waiver would have on the Board of Psychology.

Attachment A: SB 27 (Morrell) Text

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SB-27 Professions and vocations: licenses: military service. (2017-2018)

SECTION 1. *Section 114.6 is added to the Business and Professions Code, to read:*

114.6. (a) (1) *Notwithstanding any other law, every board within the department shall grant a fee waiver for the application for and issuance of an initial license to an applicant who supplies satisfactory evidence to the board that the applicant has served as an active duty member of the California National Guard or the United States Armed Forces and was honorably discharged.*

(2) *For purposes of this section, "satisfactory evidence" means a completed "Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty" (DD Form 214).*

(b) (1) *A veteran shall be granted only one fee waiver, except as specified in paragraph (2). After a fee waiver has been issued by a board within the department, the veteran is no longer eligible for a waiver.*

(2) *If a board charges a fee for the application for a license and another fee for the issuance of a license, the veteran shall be granted fee waivers for both the application for and issuance of a license.*

(3) *The fee waiver shall apply only to an application of and a license issued to an individual veteran and not to an application of or a license issued to an individual veteran on behalf of a business or other entity.*

(4) *A fee waiver shall not be issued for any of the following:*

(A) *Renewal of a license.*

(B) *The application for and issuance of an additional license, a certificate, a registration, or a permit associated with the initial license.*

(C) *The application for an examination.*