



MEMORANDUM

DATE	October 20, 2014
TO	Psychology Board Members
FROM	Jonathan Burke Administrative Services Coordinator
SUBJECT	AB 186 (Maienschein): Temporary Licenses

Background:

Establishes a temporary licensure process for an applicant who holds a current license in another jurisdiction and who supplies satisfactory evidence of being married to or in a domestic partnership or other legal union with an active duty member of the Armed Forces.

The Board of Psychology (Board) is committed to helping military families overcome any obstacles that they may face during the licensing process. However, the Board already accommodates military spouses and those in domestic partnerships in the following ways:

- The expediting of their applications
- A 180-day period to pass the necessary examination(s) during which time the applicant can practice psychology

The Board voted at the June Board meeting to take an “Oppose” position. The Board is of the opinion that creating an entirely new temporary license category for the spouses and domestic partners of military personnel is unnecessary because of the mechanisms that are currently in place.

This bill was amended on August 20th, 2014 to no longer apply to the Board of Psychology. Therefore, the Board voted at the August Board meeting to rescind the previous “Oppose” position and continue to watch the bill.

This bill was signed by Governor Brown and chaptered by the Secretary of State on September 27th, 2014 as Chapter No. 640. This bill becomes effective on January 1st, 2015.

Attachment A is the law as chaptered by the Secretary of State.

Action Requested:

This item is for informational purposes only.