

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.

State of Arkansas
94th General Assembly
Regular Session, 2023

A Bill

SENATE BILL 457

By: Senator C. Tucker

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW TO WAIVE OCCUPATIONAL OR PROFESSIONAL LICENSE FEES ASSESSED BY THE STATE FOR EMPLOYEES OF STATE AGENCIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW TO WAIVE OCCUPATIONAL OR PROFESSIONAL LICENSE FEES ASSESSED BY THE STATE FOR EMPLOYEES OF STATE AGENCIES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 17, Chapter 1, Subchapter 1, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

17-1-111. Waiver of state occupational or professional license fee for employee of state agency.

(a) As used in this section:

(1) "Occupational or professional license" means a license, certificate, registration, permit, or other form of authorization:

(A) Issued by an occupational or professional licensing entity within the executive or legislative departments of state government;
and

(B) Required by Arkansas law or rule for an individual to engage in a particular occupation or profession;

(2) "Occupational or professional licensing entity" means an office, board, commission, department, council, bureau, or other agency of the executive or legislative departments of state government having authority



to license, certify, register, permit, or otherwise authorize an individual to engage in a particular occupation or profession; and

(3) "State agency" means:

(A) Every board, commission, department, division, or office of state government within the executive, legislative, and judicial departments; and

(B) All state-supported postsecondary educational institutions, including without limitation colleges and universities, vocational and technical schools, and community colleges.

(b) An occupational or professional licensing entity shall waive the fee assessed by the state for an occupational or professional license for an individual employed by a state agency if the individual requires an occupational or professional license to perform his or her job duties for the state agency.

(c) Subsection (b) of this section does not apply to an individual employed:

(A) By the state agency employing the individual for less than one (1) year; or

(B) By a state agency on less than a full-time basis.