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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2023

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RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- PROFESSIONAL LICENSE
REINSTATEMENT ACT

Introduced By: Representatives Chippendale, Vella-Wilkinson, McNamara, Cardillo, J.
Brien, Noret, Lima, Fenton-Fung, Casimiro, and J. Lombardi

Date Introduced: February 01, 2023

Referred To: House Corporations

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Title 5 of the General Laws entitled "BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS"
2 is hereby amended by adding thereto the following chapter:

3 CHAPTER 93

4 PROFESSIONAL LICENSE REINSTATEMENT ACT

5 **5-93-1. Short title.**

6 This chapter shall be known and may be cited as the "Professional License Reinstatement
7 Act."

8 **5-93-2. License reinstatement COVID-19.**

9 (a) Any individual required to be licensed by any state agency pursuant to title 5 or any
10 chapter of the general laws that issues licenses including, but not limited to, the department of
11 business regulation (DBR) and the department of health (DOH), and who, as a result of
12 noncompliance with any general or special law, mandate, rule, or regulation, which was enacted or
13 implemented due to the declaration of disaster emergency caused by COVID-19 shall have the
14 license reinstated immediately upon notice furnished to the appropriate licensing authority.

15 (b) "Notice", for purposes of this section, means any written or electronic communication
16 including phone or email that informs the licensing authority of the desire to have the professional
17 license reinstated.

1 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION
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- 1 This act would provide for the reinstatement of any license suspended because of
- 2 noncompliance with a COVID-19 mandate.
- 3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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