

House Bill 29

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Relating to Military and Veterans Affairs

The bill provides for a board regulated under general law to accept periods of training, study, apprenticeship, or practical experience in the Florida National Guard or the United States Armed Forces Reserves for those members whose training or study were interrupted when they ordered into active duty. The board has to determine if the training, study, or practical experience is substantially the same as the standard and type required under the laws of this state. The applicant must submit his or her request to the board within six months after release from active duty.

The bill further amends s. 455.02, F.S., to require a military member, who engages in his/her profession in the private sector for profit during active duty and for a period of two years after discharge from active duty, to comply with all renewal provisions except remitting a fee for the license renewal.

The bill provides for the waiver of the license renewal fee for the spouse when he/she is present in the state because of a members' active duty and for a surviving spouse of a member who at the time of death was serving on active duty and died within two years preceding the date of the renewal.

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House Bill 841

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Relating to Community Associations

As it relates to condominiums, the bill deletes a redundant reference to a 7 year retention requirement for meeting minutes and accounting records while making meeting minutes a permanent record; amends the number of days the board has to comply with a written request to inspect records; provides a time limitation for waiving a financial report if the association does not comply with a division request; re-words language regarding the administration of an association's composition; revises term limits for serving on the board of directors; amends language regarding records which are maintained on an association website; amends meeting notice requirements; amends recall of board member provisions; clarifies language regarding a material alteration; moves language from the contracts section to the conflicts of interest section; amends language regarding fines and suspension of unit owners; removes the time limitation for classification as a bulk assignee or bulk buyer; and provides a governing structure for installing charging stations for electric vehicles.

As it relates to cooperatives, the bill amends the official records retention of the association; amends the number of days the board has to comply with a written request to inspect records; re-words language regarding the administration of an association's composition; provides a

limitation of serving on the board for co-owners of a cooperative unit; provides guidance regarding use of email by board members; addresses board member delinquencies while serving on the board; amends meeting notice requirements; amends language regarding a bulk contract for antenna or cable television service; and amends language regarding fines and suspension of unit owners.

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