AN ACT to repeal 89.073 (2) (e) and 440.09 (2) (e); to renumber and amend

89.073 (1) and 440.09 (1); to amend 89.073 (title), 89.073 (2) (intro.), 89.073 (2)
(a), 89.073 (2) (b), 89.073 (3), 440.09 (title), 440.09 (2) (b) and 440.09 (3); and to
create 89.073 (1) (a), 89.073 (2) (f), 89.073 (4), 89.073 (5), 440.09 (1) (a), 440.09
(2) (f), 440.09 (4) and 440.09 (5) of the statutes; relating to: reciprocal
credentials for service members, former service members, and their spouses
and granting rule-making authority.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill enables service members, former service members, and the spouses of
former service members who reside in this state to obtain reciprocal credentials to
practice a profession granted by the Department of Safety and Professional Services,
the boards attached to DSPS, and the Veterinary Examining Board. To obtain a
reciprocal credential under the bill, a person must hold an analogous credential in
another jurisdiction, and the bill applies to former service members discharged from
the armed forces under conditions other than dishonorable within four years of
applying for a reciprocal credential. Under current law, the spouse of a service
member may obtain a reciprocal credential granted by DSPS, the boards attached
to DSPS, and the Veterinary Examining Board.

The bill also provides that a reciprocal credential granted to a service member,
former service member, or the spouse of a service member or former service member
expires on the same renewal date as the credential that corresponds to the reciprocal credential, and that the reciprocal credential may be renewed by paying the applicable fee and satisfying the requirements that apply to renewing the corresponding credential. Current law provides that a reciprocal credential granted to the spouse of a service member expires after 180 days unless DSPS or the applicable board extends the reciprocal credential. Also, under the bill, DSPS, the boards attached to DSPS, and the Veterinary Examining Board may promulgate rules necessary to implement the bill.

For further information see the state fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 89.073 (title) of the statutes is amended to read:

89.073 (title) Temporary reciprocal Reciprocal credentials for the spouses of service members, former service members, and their spouses.

SECTION 2. 89.073 (1) of the statutes is renumbered 89.073 (1) (intro.) and amended to read:

89.073 (1) (intro.) In this section, “service member”:

(b) “Service member” means a member of the U.S. armed forces, a reserve unit of the U.S. armed forces, or the national guard of any state.

SECTION 3. 89.073 (1) (a) of the statutes is created to read:

89.073 (1) (a) “Former service member” means a person who was discharged from the U.S. armed forces under conditions other than dishonorable within 4 years of the date on which the service member or the spouse of the service member applies for a license, certification, or permit under this section.

SECTION 4. 89.073 (2) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

89.073 (2) (intro.) The examining board shall grant a temporary license, certification, or permit specified under s. 89.06 to an individual who the examining board determines meets all of the following requirements:
SECTION 5. 89.073 (2) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

89.073 (2) (a) The individual applies for a temporary credential under this section on a form prescribed by the examining board.

SECTION 6. 89.073 (2) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

89.073 (2) (b) The individual is a service member, a former service member, or the spouse of a service member or former service member and the spouse and service member temporarily reside in this state as a result of the service member’s service in the U.S. armed forces, a reserve unit of the U.S. armed forces, or the national guard of any state.

SECTION 7. 89.073 (2) (e) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 8. 89.073 (2) (f) of the statutes is created to read:

89.073 (2) (f) The individual is in good standing with the governmental authorities in every jurisdiction outside this state that have granted the individual a credential that qualifies the individual to perform acts authorized under the appropriate credential specified under s. 89.06.

SECTION 9. 89.073 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

89.073 (3) A temporary credential granted under this section expires 180 days after the date the examining board issues it unless, upon application by the holder of the credential, the examining board extends the credential on the renewal date specified in s. 89.062 (1). The examining board shall grant a renewed license, certification, or permit specified under s. 89.06 to an applicant who pays the renewal fee specified under s. 89.063 and satisfies the renewal requirements under s. 89.062.

SECTION 10. 89.073 (4) of the statutes is created to read:

89.073 (4) The examining board shall expedite the issuance of a license, certification, or permit granted under this section.
SECTION 11. 89.073 (5) of the statutes is created to read:

89.073 (5) The examining board may promulgate rules necessary to implement this section.

SECTION 12. 440.09 (title) of the statutes is amended to read:

440.09 (title) Reciprocal credentials for the spouses of service members, former service members, and their spouses.

SECTION 13. 440.09 (1) of the statutes is renumbered 440.09 (1) (intro.) and amended to read:

440.09 (1) (intro.) In this section, “service member”:

(b) “Service member” means a member of the U.S. armed forces, a reserve unit of the U.S. armed forces, or the national guard of any state.

SECTION 14. 440.09 (1) (a) of the statutes is created to read:

440.09 (1) (a) “Former service member” means a person who was discharged from the U.S. armed forces under conditions other than dishonorable within 4 years of the date on which the service member or the spouse of the service member applies for a reciprocal credential under this section.

SECTION 15. 440.09 (2) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

440.09 (2) (b) The individual is a service member, a former service member, or the spouse of a service member, or former service member and the spouse and service member temporarily reside in this state as a result of the service member’s service in the U.S. armed forces, a reserve unit of the U.S. armed forces, or the national guard of any state.

SECTION 16. 440.09 (2) (e) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 17. 440.09 (2) (f) of the statutes is created to read:
440.09 (2) (f) The individual is in good standing with the governmental authorities in every jurisdiction outside this state that have granted the individual a license, certification, registration, or permit that qualifies the individual to perform acts authorized under the appropriate credential granted by the department or credentialing board.

SECTION 18. 440.09 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

440.09 (3) A reciprocal credential granted under this section expires 180 days after the date the department or credentialing board issues the reciprocal credential unless, upon application by the holder of the reciprocal credential, the department or credentialing board extends the reciprocal credential on the applicable renewal date specified in s. 440.08 (2) (a). The department or credentialing board, as appropriate, shall grant a renewed reciprocal credential to an applicant who pays the renewal fee specified under s. 440.05 (2) and satisfies the requirements that apply for renewing that credential.

SECTION 19. 440.09 (4) of the statutes is created to read:

440.09 (4) The department or credentialing board, as appropriate, shall expedite the issuance of a reciprocal credential granted under this section.

SECTION 20. 440.09 (5) of the statutes is created to read:

440.09 (5) The department or credentialing board, as appropriate, may promulgate rules necessary to implement this section.

SECTION 21. Initial applicability.

(1) APPLICATIONS FOR VETERINARY RECIPROCAL CREDENTIALS. The treatment of s. 89.073 (2) (b), (e), and (f) first applies to an application for a license, certification, or permit specified in s. 89.06 received by the veterinary examining board on the effective date of this subsection.
(2) Expiration of Veterinary Reciprocal Credentials. The treatment of s. 89.073 (3) first applies to a license, certification, or permit granted under s. 89.073 that is valid on the effective date of this subsection.

(3) Applications for Reciprocal Credentials. The treatment of s. 440.09 (2) (b), (e), and (f) first applies to an application for a reciprocal credential, as defined in s. 440.01 (2) (d), received by the department of safety and professional services on the effective date of this subsection.

(4) Expiration of Reciprocal Credentials. The treatment of s. 440.09 (3) first applies to a reciprocal credential, as defined in s. 440.01 (2) (d), that is valid on the effective date of this subsection.

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