

**BILL SUMMARY**  
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<b>Bill No.:</b>	<b>HB1373</b>
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<b>Request Number:</b>	
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<b>Impact:</b>	<b>Please see previous summary of this measure</b>

**Research Analysis**

Engrossed HB1373 requires a state entity charged with oversight of occupational licensure to explicitly list the specific criminal records that would disqualify an applicant. Those criminal records must be directly related to the duties and responsibilities of the occupation.

Disqualification for a criminal conviction may last for a period no longer than 5 years, as long as the crime is not violent or sexual in nature and there have been no convictions within that 5-year period. The measure allows an individual with a criminal record to petition the licensing authority for a determination of whether that criminal record would disqualify the individual. An individual may petition a licensing authority to determine whether their criminal record will disqualify them from receiving a license.

The bill further eliminates many licensure requirements that the applicant be of good moral character or have not been convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude. Specific licensure requirement sections allow for denial of licensure only for a conviction of a crime that substantially relates to the practice of that occupation and poses a reasonable threat to public safety.

Senate Amendments to HB 1373 modify the first section of the bill to define certain terms and provide that a person with a criminal history may request from a state licensing or certification authority a determination of whether that record would disqualify them from licensure or certification. Each state entity with authority over licensure or certification would be required to specifically list criminal offenses that disqualify a person from an occupation, and those offenses must substantially relate to the duties and responsibilities of the occupation and pose a reasonable threat to public safety.

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**Fiscal Analysis**

The measure is currently under review and impact information will be completed.

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**Other Considerations**

None.

