HOUSE FILE 752
BY COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

(SUCCESSOR TO HF 666)
(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 180)

(As Amended and Passed by the House April 1, 2019)

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A BILL FOR

An Act relating to professional licensing, including by providing for a review of professional licenses and allowing for preapplication qualification reviews, and providing fees.

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

Section 1. Section 2.69, subsection 4, Code 2019, is amended by adding the following new paragraph:

NEW PARAGRAPH. *0d.* Review and analyze approximately one-third of all professional licenses, certifications, and registrations available in the state during each two-year period, such that each license, certification, and registration shall be reviewed within six years. The committee may require the submission of information by the relevant licensing, certifying, or registering entities and other interested parties. The committee shall consider the direct and indirect costs, utility, and health and safety implications of requiring such licenses, certifications, and registrations. The committee shall include in the report required pursuant to paragraph "*d*" a recommendation[, including all supporting documents and documents related to the committee's work on the review,] regarding whether the legislature should enact legislation that:

(a) Repeals a professional license, certification, or registration.

(b) Converts an occupational license to a certification or registration, or converts a certification to a registration.

(c) Changes the requisite qualifications for a professional license, certification, or registration.

(d) Redefines the scope of practice of a professional license, certification, or registration.

(e) Reflects any other recommendation made by the committee.

Sec. 2. Section 2.69, subsection 4, paragraph d, Code 2019, is amended to read as follows:

d. Issue a report, including its findings and recommendations, to the general assembly. [The report shall be assigned to a standing committee in each house of the general assembly during the succeeding legislative session following the submission of the report for review and recommendations.]

Sec. 3. Section 84A.5, Code 2019, is amended by adding the

following new subsection:

NEW SUBSECTION. 16. Maintain a list on the internet site of the department of workforce development of each professional license, certification, and registration issued in the state and the requirements to receive each license, certification, or registration. The department of workforce development shall update the list as soon as practicable after the conclusion of each session of the general assembly.

Sec. 4. NEW SECTION. **272C.13 Disqualifications for criminal convictions limited.**

An individual may petition a licensing board, in a form prescribed by the licensing authority, for a determination as to whether the individual's criminal record will prevent the individual from receiving a license. The licensing board shall issue such determinations within thirty days of receipt. The licensing board may charge a fee to recoup the costs of such a determination, provided that such a fee shall not exceed twenty-five dollars.