



# State of Tennessee

## PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 243

### HOUSE BILL NO. 252

By Representatives Freeman, Beck, Bricken, Faison, Carr, Lynn, Coley, Clemmons, Hodges, Hakeem, Potts, Ogles, Towns, Haston, Helton, Moon, Camper, Windle, Thompson

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 759

By Senators Yarbrow, Akbari, Massey, Rose

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, relative to state licensure examinations.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 19, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) As used in this section:

- (1) "Agency" has the same meaning as defined in § 4-5-102; and
- (2) "License" has the same meaning as defined in § 4-5-102.

(b) An agency that requires a person applying for a license to engage in an occupation, trade, or profession in this state to take an examination shall ensure the provision of appropriate accommodations in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, 42, U.S.C. § 12101 et seq.

(c) A state agency that administers a required examination for licensure shall promulgate rules to implement this section. The rules must:

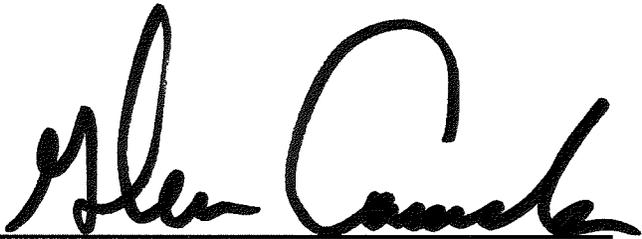
- (1) Establish the eligibility criteria that a person must meet for an accommodation to be provided pursuant to this section; and
- (2) Be promulgated in accordance with the Uniform Administrative Procedures Act, compiled in chapter 5 of this title.

(d) The requirements of this section do not apply to an examination mandated and administered pursuant to federal law.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law for purposes of promulgating rules and carrying out any administrative duties necessary to effectuate the provisions and intent of this act, the public welfare requiring it. This act shall take effect on July 1, 2020, for all other purposes, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED: April 17, 2019



GLEN CASADA, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



RANDY MCNALLY  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of May 2019



BILL LEE, GOVERNOR