

## SB 1072 – Occupational and Professional Licensing - Military Training and Military Spouses

## **Position: Support**

Maryland REALTORS® supports SB 1072 which would help expedite the issuance of professional licenses and remove some of the barriers associated with licensure in Maryland for military spouses and those who have served in the military.

This bill would require occupational licensing entities in Maryland to consider a military spouse's licensure in another state as a basis for issuing a professional license, so long as the individual can demonstrate competency to practice the profession in Maryland. Additionally, this bill would require licensing entities to consider overall length of experience in the profession along with the specialized occupational training provided to the individual through their service in the military when determining the individual's fitness for licensure.

The REALTORS® support efforts to ensure that those who have served in the military and their spouses are not unnecessarily delayed from obtaining employment in an area where they have sufficient expertise.

We respectfully ask for your support of Senate Bill 1072.

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