

Chapter 115

H.B. No. 257

AN ACT

relating to a report by the Texas Workforce Commission regarding the transition from military service to employment.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 302, Labor Code, is amended by adding Section 302.020 to read as follows:

Sec. 302.020. REPORT ON TRANSITION FROM MILITARY SERVICE TO EMPLOYMENT. Not later than September 1 of each year, the commission, in consultation with the Texas Coordinating Council for Veterans Services, shall submit to the governor, lieutenant governor, speaker of the house of representatives, and chairs of the legislative committees with appropriate jurisdiction a report that:

(1) identifies:

(A) the five most common military occupational specialties of servicemembers who are transitioning from military service to employment;

(B) the five occupations for which the military occupational specialties identified in Paragraph (A) best offer transferable skills that meet the needs of employers; and

(C) any industry-based certifications that align with the military occupational specialties identified in Paragraph (A); and

(2) includes any other data or other information

1 identified by the commission in administering the College Credit
2 for Heroes program under Section 302.0031 as useful for supporting
3 the transition of servicemembers and veterans into the occupations
4 identified under Subdivision (1)(B).

5 SECTION 2. Not later than September 1, 2018, the Texas
6 Workforce Commission shall submit the initial report required by
7 Section 302.020, Labor Code, as added by this Act.

8 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

Don Patuch
President of the Senate

Joe Straus
Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 257 was passed by the House on April 12, 2017, by the following vote: Yeas 130, Nays 16, 1 present, not voting.

Robert Haney
Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 257 was passed by the Senate on May 18, 2017, by the following vote: Yeas 29, Nays 1.

Patsey Spaw
Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: 5-26-2017

Date

Greg Abbott
Governor

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SECRETARY OF STATE
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Secretary of State

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FISCAL NOTE, 85TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

May 10, 2017

TO: Honorable Donna Campbell, Chair, Senate Committee on Veteran Affairs & Border Security

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB257 by Hernandez (Relating to a report by the Texas Workforce Commission regarding the transition from military service to employment.), **As Engrossed**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

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Based on information provided by TWC and the Texas Veterans Commission, this analysis assumes the duties and responsibilities associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be accomplished by utilizing existing resources.

The bill would take effect on September 1, 2017, and requires TWC to submit the initial report required under the provisions of the bill no later than September 1, 2018.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 320 Texas Workforce Commission, 403 Veterans Commission

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TO: Honorable Roland Gutierrez, Chair, House Committee on Defense & Veterans' Affairs

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

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