

BILL SUMMARY
1st Session of the 57th Legislature

Bill No.:	HB1373
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Impact:	Please see previous summary of this measure

Research Analysis

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.

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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.