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BILL SUMMARY

HF 666 Licensing Review

Status of Bill: House Calendar
Committee: Labor 10-7
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Summary

HF 666 directs the state government efficiency review committee to set up a rolling review of professional licensing in the state. Under the bill, the committee will review one-third of all professional licenses, certifications, and registrations available in the state during each two-year period, so that all are reviewed in six years.

During the review, the committee can require information from the licensing or registering bodies, and must consider the direct and indirect costs, utility, and health and safety implications of the licensing requirements. The committee must then report to the General Assembly recommendations detailing whether legislature should enact legislation to repeal the licensing, or certificate; convert a license to a certificate or a certificate to a license; change licensing or registration qualifications; redefine scope of practice of the license or certificate or any other recommendations from the committee.

The legislation also directs the Department of Workforce Development to maintain a list of each professional license, certification and registration issued and the requirements to receive each.

Additionally, the legislation allows a person who wants to obtain a professional license to petition the licensing board to determine whether the individuals criminal record will disqualify the person from receiving a license from the board.