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HOUSE BILL 20-1241

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Benavidez and Kipp, Bird, Buentello, Coleman, Duran, Gonzales-Gutierrez, Gray, Lontine, Melton, Michaelson Jenet, Roberts, Singer, Sirota, Weissman

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(None),

House Committees
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Senate Committees

A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING THE ISSUANCE OF A PROFESSIONAL LICENSE TO A PERSON**
102 **WHO IS LEGALLY AUTHORIZED TO WORK IN THE UNITED**
103 **STATES.**

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov>.)

The bill requires the Colorado supreme court to issue a license to practice law and the department of education to issue a teacher license if, in either situation, the license applicant otherwise meets the licensing requirements and:

! The person has a current and valid employment

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing statute.
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.

- authorization document issued by the United States citizenship and immigration services;
- ! The person is lawfully present in the United States; and
- ! The person was issued a social security number by the United States social security administration.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

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3 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-60.5-201, **add** (6)
4 as follows:

5 **22-60.5-201. Types of teacher licenses issued - term - rules.**

6 (6) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ISSUE A LICENSE TO A PERSON WHO, IN
7 ADDITION TO FULFILLING THE APPLICABLE LICENSING REQUIREMENTS IN
8 THIS SECTION, SATISFIES THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:

9 (a) THE PERSON HAS A CURRENT AND VALID EMPLOYMENT
10 AUTHORIZATION DOCUMENT ISSUED BY THE UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP
11 AND IMMIGRATION SERVICES OR ITS SUCCESSOR AGENCY;

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13 (b) THE PERSON HAS BEEN ISSUED A SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER BY
14 THE UNITED STATES SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION; OR

15 (c) THE PERSON IS A UNITED STATES CITIZEN, A LEGAL
16 PERMANENT RESIDENT, OR IS OTHERWISE LAWFULLY PRESENT IN THE
17 UNITED STATES PURSUANT TO FEDERAL LAW AS DOCUMENTED BY A VALID
18 IDENTIFICATION DOCUMENT REQUIRED BY THE DEPARTMENT.

19 **SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date -**
20 **applicability.** (1) This act takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following
21 the expiration of the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the
22 general assembly (August 5, 2020, if adjournment sine die is on May 6,
23 2020); except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1

1 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an item, section,
2 or part of this act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part
3 will not take effect unless approved by the people at the general election
4 to be held in November 2020 and, in such case, will take effect on the
5 date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

6 (2) This act applies to licenses issued on or after the applicable
7 effective date of this act.