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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2015–16 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1939

Introduced by Assembly Member Patterson

February 12, 2016

An act to add *and repeal* Section 312.3 to the Business and Professions Code, relating to professions.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1939, as amended, Patterson. Licensing requirements.

Under existing law, the Department of Consumer Affairs is comprised of various boards, bureaus, commissions, committees, and similarly constituted agencies that license and regulate the practice of various professions and vocations for the purpose of protecting the people of California. Existing law requires each of these entities to submit annually to the director of the department its methods for ensuring that every licensing examination it administers is subject to periodic evaluation.

This bill would require the ~~director of the department~~ *Legislative Analyst's Office* to conduct a study and submit to the Legislature *and the department* by July 1, 2017, a report identifying, exploring, and addressing occupational licensing requirements that create unnecessary barriers to labor market entry or mobility. *The bill would repeal this requirement on January 1, 2021.*

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 312.3 is added to the Business and
2 Professions Code, to read:
3 312.3. (a) ~~The director~~ *Legislative Analyst's Office* shall
4 conduct a study and submit to the Legislature *and the Department*
5 *of Consumer Affairs* by July 1, 2017, a report identifying,
6 exploring, and addressing areas where occupational licensing
7 requirements create an unnecessary barrier to labor market entry
8 or labor mobility, particularly for dislocated workers, individuals
9 who have moved to California from another state, transitioning
10 service members, and military spouses.
11 (b) (1) The report to be submitted pursuant to subdivision (a)
12 shall be submitted in compliance with Section 9795 of the
13 Government Code.
14 (2) *Pursuant to Section 10231.5 of the Government Code, this*
15 *section is repealed on January 1, 2021.*