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TO: Senate Interim Committee on Veterans Services and Emergency Preparedness
House Interim Committee on Veterans Services and Emergency Preparedness

FR: Ed Conlow, Executive Director, Board of Medical Imaging

RE: HB 4057 Report

The Oregon Board of Medical Imaging (OBMI) recognizes the value and importance of providing expeditious licensing services to members of the military and their spouses/partners. The Board recognizes the level of quality provided through military training in medical imaging modalities.

On a case-by-case basis, the OBMI will consider individual requests for expedited application processing for military spouses/partners (HB 2037), as well as requests for recognition of military training to meet licensure requirements (HB 4063). Individual requests will be reviewed by the full Board or, if the Board meeting will create undue delay, requests will be processed by the OBMI executive director with consent of the Board Chair and Vice-Chair.

No requests for expedited licensure (HB 2037) have been received in the OBMI office. One request for recognition of military training (HB 4063) was received on September 26, 2014; a response will be completed when the Board meets on October 17, 2014.

To inform military veterans of state licensure laws relating specifically to military veterans, the OBMI posted a summary of recent legislation on the OBMI homepage, on a link entitled "For Military Veterans." http://www.oregon.gov/OBMI/docs/Oregon_Veterans_Laws.pdf

For further information, contact:

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Oregon Laws for Military Veterans

Relating to State Licensure by the Board of Medical Imaging

Authority Limited to Oregon: These state laws do not have authority in other states or with national credentialing registries.

MILITARY TRAINING WAIVER

License applicants who received their medical imaging training in the military services may be eligible for a license even if they do not have a Board-recognized national registry credential. House Bill 4063 (enacted in 2012) requires the Board of Medical Imaging to waive the credential requirement for an applicant who can provide documentation of military training or experience that the Board determines to be substantially equivalent to what the national credentialing registries require. Contact the Board office at 971-673-0215 for further information.

EXPEDITED APPLICATION PROCESSING FOR MILITARY SPOUSE/PARTNER

Under House Bill 2037, enacted into law in 2013, if the spouse or domestic partner of an active member of the U.S. Armed Forces moves to Oregon due to an official active military transfer, the Board of Medical Imaging will expedite the person's application, if the spouse/partner:

1. Can show that s/he was is authorized to practice in another state, and
2. Has worked or taught medical imaging in the other state for at least one year during the previous three year period, and
3. Is able to demonstrate competency to the Board.

Contact the Board office at 971-673-0215 for further information.

REQUIREMENT TO PAY LICENSE FEES WAIVED DURING MILITARY DUTY

License or permit holders serving active military service will not be penalized by the Board of Medical Imaging for failure to complete license or permit renewal requirements while in active service. Upon written application to the Board within 60 days of verified honorable discharge, the license or permit holder will be restored to former status, with any time spent on verified active military duty credited against the fee amount, and with no late fees applied. Contact the Board office at 971-673-0215 for further information. (Oregon Revised Statutes 408.450)