

112TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 6008

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 21, 2012

Ms. HOCHUL introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Veterans' Affairs

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Vocational Employ-
5 ment and Technical Skills Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. STATE CONSIDERATION OF MILITARY TRAINING IN**
2 **GRANTING CERTAIN STATE CERTIFICATIONS**
3 **AND LICENSES.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 4102A(c) of title 38,
5 United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the
6 following:

7 “(9)(A) In addition to the other conditions under this
8 subsection to carry out section 4103A or 4104 of this title,
9 the Secretary shall require the State to demonstrate that
10 when the State approves or denies any certification or li-
11 cense described in subsection (b) for a veteran the State
12 takes into consideration any training received by the vet-
13 eran while serving on active duty in the Armed Forces.

14 “(B) A certification or license described in this sub-
15 paragraph is—

16 “(i) a certification or license required to prac-
17 tice a certain profession, including a certification or
18 license to be—

19 “(I) a State tested nursing assistant or a
20 certified nursing assistant;

21 “(II) a registered nurse;

22 “(III) a physician’s assistant;

23 “(IV) an emergency medical technician;

24 “(V) a surveyor;

25 “(VI) a plumber;

1 “(VII) a general construction equipment
2 operator;

3 “(VIII) a carpenter;

4 “(IX) an electrician; or

5 “(X) an individual who repairs—

6 “(aa) heating, ventilation, or air con-
7 ditioning systems; or

8 “(bb) automobiles, aircraft, or the en-
9 gines of such vehicles; or

10 “(ii) a commercial driver’s license.”.

11 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
12 subsection (a) shall apply with respect to a program year
13 beginning on or after the date of the enactment of this
14 Act.

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