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House Bill 2502

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[Introduced February 16, 2017; Referred
to the Committee on Government Organization.]

1 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section,
2 designated §30-1-21, relating to reciprocity of occupational licenses with other states.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

1 That the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended by adding thereto a new
2 section, designated §30-1-21, to read as follows:

**ARTICLE 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO ALL STATE BOARDS OF
EXAMINATION OR REGISTRATION REFERRED TO IN CHAPTER.**

§30-1-21. Reciprocity.

1 (a) Notwithstanding the licensure requirements of each profession in this chapter, a
2 person, who has obtained and maintained for three years an unrestricted license granted by
3 another state to practice a profession licensed under this chapter and has not received a
4 complaint for the three most recent years, meets the educational and experience requirements to
5 apply for licensure.

6 (b) The board may perform a criminal background and interview the applicant to determine
7 his or her character.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to permit a licensed professional in another state to apply for licensure in West Virginia, if certain conditions are met.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from a heading or the present law and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.