

# **WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE**

**2019 REGULAR SESSION**

**ENROLLED**

## **House Bill 2209**

BY DELEGATES HOWELL, SHOTT AND FOSTER

[Passed March 8, 2019; in effect ninety days from  
passage.]



1 AN ACT to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section,  
2 designated §30-24-8, relating to allowing military veterans who meet certain qualifications  
3 to qualify for examination for license as an emergency medical technician.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

**ARTICLE 24. QUALIFICATION OF ARMED FORCES HEALTH TECHNICIANS FOR  
CIVILIAN HEALTH OCCUPATIONS.**

**§30-24-8. Qualification for examination for license as an emergency medical technician.**

1 Any person who has served on reserve or active duty in the medical corps of any of the  
2 Armed Forces of the United States and who has successfully completed the course of instruction  
3 required to qualify him or her for rating as an emergency medical technician, hospital corpsman,  
4 combat medic, health care specialist, or other equivalent rating in his or her particular branch of  
5 the Armed Forces, and whose service in the Armed Forces was under honorable conditions, may  
6 submit to the West Virginia Office of Emergency Medical Services, a photostatic copy of the  
7 certificate issued to him or her certifying successful completion of such course of instruction, a  
8 photostatic copy of his or her discharge from the Armed Forces, an application for a certification  
9 as an emergency medical technician, and the prescribed license fee.

10 If the certificate and discharge, as evidenced by the photostatic copies thereof, the  
11 application, and prescribed license fee are in order, and if the veteran meets all of the  
12 requirements of §16-4C-1 *et seq.* of this code, the veteran shall be permitted to take the same  
13 examination or examinations as are required under §16-4C-1 *et seq.* of this code for applicants  
14 who do not apply for a license under the provisions of this article: *Provided,* That the veteran may  
15 be required to attend additional training courses prior to taking the examination if more than 30  
16 years has passed from his or her successful completion of the course of instruction and date of  
17 application. If the veteran passes the examination or examinations, he or she shall be licensed  
18 as an emergency medical technician and shall thereafter be subject to all of the provisions of §16-

19 4C-1 *et seq.* of this code. If the veteran does not pass such examination or examinations, any  
20 provisions of §16-4C-1 *et seq.* of this code relating to reexaminations shall apply to the veteran  
21 the same as they apply to a person who does not apply for a license under the provisions of this  
22 article.

The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

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*Chairman, House Committee*

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*Chairman, Senate Committee*

Originating in the House.

In effect ninety days from passage.

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*Clerk of the House of Delegates*

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*Clerk of the Senate*

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*Speaker of the House of Delegates*

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*President of the Senate*

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*Governor*