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AN ACT

AMENDING TITLE 32, CHAPTER 48, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING ARTICLE
3; RELATING TO PROFESSIONS AND OCCUPATIONS.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:
2 Section 1. Title 32, chapter 48, Arizona Revised Statutes, is
3 amended by adding article 3, to read:

4 ARTICLE 3. APPRENTICESHIPS

5 32-4841. Occupational regulating authorities;
6 apprenticeships; examinations; rules

7 A. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER LAW, AN OCCUPATIONAL REGULATING
8 AUTHORITY UNDER THIS TITLE SHALL ESTABLISH CRITERIA NECESSARY FOR GRANTING
9 LICENSES, CERTIFICATES OR REGISTRATIONS, AS APPROPRIATE, THROUGH
10 APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS. THE CRITERIA SHALL PROVIDE FOR THE FOLLOWING:

11 1. AN APPLICANT SHALL COMPLETE A UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF
12 LABOR-APPROVED OR A DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC SECURITY-APPROVED
13 APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM IN THE OCCUPATIONAL AREA IN WHICH THE APPLICANT
14 SEEKS LICENSURE, CERTIFICATION OR REGISTRATION, EITHER AT A SCHOOL THAT IS
15 LICENSED BY THIS STATE OR BY TRAINING WITH A PERSON WHO IS APPROVED BY THE
16 DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC SECURITY TO CONDUCT APPRENTICESHIPS AND WHO HOLDS
17 THE SAME LICENSE, CERTIFICATE OR REGISTRATION FOR WHICH THE APPLICANT IS
18 APPLYING.

19 2. IF THE OCCUPATIONAL REGULATING AUTHORITY REQUIRES SUCCESSFUL
20 COMPLETION OF AN EXAMINATION FOR LICENSURE, CERTIFICATION OR REGISTRATION,
21 THE APPLICANT MUST SUCCESSFULLY PASS THAT EXAMINATION. THE PASSING SCORE
22 ON THE EXAMINATION MAY NOT DISCRIMINATE BETWEEN AN APPLICANT FROM AN
23 APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM AND AN APPLICANT FROM A VOCATIONAL OR TRADE SCHOOL.

24 B. AN OCCUPATIONAL REGULATING AUTHORITY MAY ADOPT RULES TO
25 IMPLEMENT THIS SECTION.