The Department of State Health Services (DSHS) is adopting rules to implement Senate Bill 422, 88th Legislature, Regular Session, 2023, extending occupational licensing reciprocity to military service members. DSHS amends the department-wide rule in 25 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) §1.81, concerning Recognition of Out-of-State License of a Military Service Member and Military Spouse, referenced in 25 TAC §296.131. DSHS also adopts a new §1.91, concerning Alternative Licensing for Military Service Members, Military Spouses, and Military Veterans.

Section 296.131 is being repealed as this section does not establish rule requirements beyond those in 25 TAC §1.81 and §1.91. Repealing §296.131 avoids repetitive or inconsistent rule language with updated rules.

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