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SENATE BILL No. 468

By Committee on Assessment and Taxation

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9 AN ACT concerning taxation; relating to delinquent taxes and returns; 10 revocation or nonrenewal of certain professional licenses; procedures. 11 12Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas: 13 Section 1. (a) As used in this act: 14"License" means a certificate, permit, registration or other doc-(1)15ument issued by a licensing body as evidence of a licensee's authority to 16practice a profession in this state, and includes any such license issued 17pursuant to K.S.A. 1-301 et seq.; K.S.A. 65-5801 et seq.; K.S.A. 65-6301 18et seq.; K.S.A. 65-6401 et seq.; K.S.A. 65-6601 et seq.; K.S.A. 65-1401 et 19 seq.; K.S.A. 65-2801 et seq.; K.S.A. 65-2001 et seq.; K.S.A. 65-28a01 et 20seq.; K.S.A. 65-2901 et seq.; K.S.A. 65-5401 et seq.; K.S.A. 65-5501 et seq.; 21K.S.A. 65-6901; K.S.A. 65-7201 et seq.; K.S.A. 40-240 et seq.; K.S.A. 7-22 103 and the rules for attorney registration of the supreme court; K.S.A. 23 65-1701 et seq.; K.S.A. 65-1101 et seq.; K.S.A. 65-4201 et seq.; K.S.A. 65-24 1501 et seq.; K.S.A. 65-1601 et seq.; K.S.A. 58-4101 et seq.; K.S.A. 58-253034 et seq.; K.S.A. 17-1254 et seq.; K.S.A. 65-6501 et seq.; K.S.A. 74-26 7001 et seq. and K.S.A. 47-814 et seq., and amendments thereto; 27(2)"licensing body" means an official, agency, board or other entity 28of the state which authorizes individuals to practice a profession in this 29state and issues a license, certificate, permit, registration or other au-30 thorization to an individual so authorized, and includes the board of ac-31 countancy, behavioral sciences regulatory board, dental board, board of 32 healing arts, insurance department, board of mortuary arts, board of nurs-33 ing, board of examiners in optometry, board of pharmacy, real estate 34 appraisal board, real estate commission, securities commissioner, speech-35 language pathology and audiology board, supreme court, board of tech-36 nical professions and board of veterinary examiners; 37 (3)"licensee" means an individual who is or may be authorized to 38 practice a profession in this state and has been issued a license by a 39 licensing body and includes: Attorney, certified public accountant, pro-40fessional counselor, social worker, marriage and family therapist, clinical 41marriage and family therapist, alcohol or drug abuse counselor, dentist, 42dental hygienist, medical doctor, osteopathic physician, chiropractor, po-43 diatrist, physician's assistant, physical therapist, occupational therapist,

respiratory therapist, athletic trainer, naturopathic doctor, insurance 1 2 agent, embalmer, funeral director, assistant funeral director, practical 3 nurse, professional nurse, mental health technician, optometrist, phar-4 macist, real estate appraiser, real estate salesman, real estate broker, se-5curities broker-dealer, securities investment advisor, speech-language pa-6 thologist, audiologist, engineer, architect, land surveyor, landscape 7 architect, geologist, veterinarian and veterinarian technician; and 8 "taxes" means any taxes owed to the state by the licensee, including any penalties and interest. 9 10Sec. 2. All licensing bodies of this state shall have or shall adopt pro-11 cedures for the denial of renewal of a license if the licensing body receives 12 information showing an applicant for the renewal of an existing license is 13 not current in the payment of taxes or the filing of tax returns. 14(a) Except as specifically provided by this act, no license shall Sec. 3. 15be renewed unless the applicant seeking renewal of a license is current 16 in the payment of all taxes owed to the state and has filed all tax returns 17due with the state. 18(b) The provisions of subsection (a) shall not apply to taxes which are 19 under formal appeal or for which an agreement for the payment of such 20taxes has been entered into by the applicant for licensure and the de-21partment of revenue and the applicant for licensure is current in the 22 payments under such agreement. 23 Sec. 4. (a) Not less than 90 days prior to the renewal date for any 24 license, the licensing body shall provide to the secretary of revenue a list 25of all licenses, subject to such renewal date, including the name, address, 26social security number and date of renewal of each licensee. Such list 27shall be provided electronically in the format required by the secretary 28of revenue. Within 30 days of receipt of such list from the licensing body, 29 the secretary of revenue shall notify those licensees who are not current 30 in the payment of taxes owed to the state or who have failed to file a tax 31 return with the state, and shall further notify the licensing body of such 32 delinquent licensees and the reason for delinquency. 33 (b) If information received pursuant to subsection (a) from the sec-34 retary of revenue shows that the licensee is not current in the payment 35 of taxes owed to the state or has failed to file a tax return with the state, 36 the licensing body shall not renew the license unless the licensing body 37 receives a tax clearance certificate from the secretary of revenue verifying 38 that the licensee has paid all taxes owed to the state and filed all tax returns 39 due to the state. Sec. 5. If a license is not renewed pursuant to this act, any funds paid 40 41by the licensee for renewal shall not be refunded by the licensing body. 42 Sec. 6. In any review of the licensing body's actions pursuant to this 43 act, conducted by the licensing body at the request of the licensee, the

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issues on such review shall be limited to the identity of the licensee and 1 2 the validity of the notice sent by the licensing body pursuant to section 3 4, and amendments thereto. The licensing body shall have no jurisdiction 4 over issues related to the tax obligation of the licensee. 5Sec. 7. Any individual obtaining a license from a licensing body shall 6 provide the licensing body such individual's social security number. 7 Sec. 8. (a) Notwithstanding any provision of law prohibiting disclo-8 sure by the department of revenue of the contents of taxpayer records or 9 information and notwithstanding any confidentiality statute of any state 10 agency or licensing body, all information exchanged among or disclosed by the department of revenue, the licensing body and the debtor neces-11 12sary to accomplish and effectuate the intent of this act is lawful. 13 (b) The information obtained by a licensing body from the depart-14ment of revenue in accordance with the exemption authorized by sub-15section (a) shall be used only for the purpose authorized by this act. Any 16person employed by, or formerly employed by, a licensing body, and who 17receives information subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 79-3234, and 18 amendments thereto, or other information designated by law as confi-19 dential, shall be subject to the same duty of confidentiality with respect to such confidential information imposed by law on officers and employ-20 21ees of the department of revenue and shall be subject to any civil or 22 criminal penalties imposed by law for violations of such duty of 23 confidentiality. 24 Sec. 9. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its

25 publication in the statute book.