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House Bill 4752 (Substitute H-1 as passed by the House)

Sponsor: Representative Robert L. Kosowski House Committee: Military and Veterans Affairs

Senate Committee: Veterans, Military Affairs and Homeland Security

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## **CONTENT**

The bill would amend the Boiler Act to do the following:

- -- Include a training program offered to active duty boiler operators and stationary engineers by a branch of the armed forces in the Act's definition of "qualified training program".
- -- Specify that "experience", for purposes of qualifying for registration under the Act, would include experience a veteran acquired while serving as an active duty member of the armed forces.

The Act specifies requirements an applicant must meet to be issued a registration in various boiler operator or stationary engineer classifications. The requirements generally include participation in a qualified training program and/or a certain amount of experience operating boilers or related machinery.

Under the bill, "qualified training program" would include a training program offered to active duty boiler operators and stationary engineers by a branch of the armed forces. "Experience" would include experience acquired while serving as an active duty member of the armed forces, by a veteran who was not dishonorably discharged from military service. For the military experience to qualify, the person would have to submit with his or her registration application an affidavit or letter signed by a commanding officer, supervisor, or military superior with direct knowledge of the applicant's service, that described his or her experience as a boiler operator or stationary engineer in one or more of the classifications described in the Act.

"Armed forces" would mean that term as defined in the Veteran Right to Employment Services Act. (That Act defines "armed forces" as the Army, Air Force, Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, or other military force designated by Congress as part of the Armed Forces of the United States.)

The bill would take effect 90 days after its enactment.

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## FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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