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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2014

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RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS IN  
TRADE AND INDUSTRY

Introduced By: Senators Felag, and Ruggerio

Date Introduced: February 27, 2014

Referred To: Senate Labor

(Lieutenant Governor)

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1           SECTION 1. Chapter 28-45 of the General Laws entitled "Apprenticeship Programs in  
2 Trade and Industry" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

3           **28-45-9.2. Military service apprenticeship qualifications.** – (a) Any person after  
4 having been honorably discharged from military service or having been transferred to reserved  
5 status, or the national guard after active military service, and whose military occupational  
6 specialty provided them with the requisite classroom and workplace training as required by the  
7 Rhode Island general laws, or a rule or regulation promulgated pursuant to the Rhode Island  
8 general laws, shall be eligible to use that classroom and workplace training to fulfill the  
9 requirements for apprentices and/or journeypersons for the following skilled trades:

10           (1) Electricians, as defined in § 5-6-1 et seq.;

11           (2) Blasters, as defined in § 23-28.28-31 et seq.;

12           (3) Plumbers and Irrigators, as defined in § 5-20-1 et seq.;

13           (4) Hoisting Engineers, as defined in § 28-26-1 et seq.; and

14           (5) Mechanical Trades, as defined in § 28-27-1 et seq.

15           (b) Persons meeting any requirements through military service as described in subsection

16 (a) remain subject to licensing fees and examinations for the desired trade license.

1 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION  
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1           This act would allow persons honorably discharged from military service, or transferred  
2 to reserve status in the National Guard, to use his or her acquired classroom and workplace  
3 training to fulfill the requirements for apprenticeship and/or journeypersons for the skilled trades  
4 enumerated herein.

5           This act would take effect upon passage.

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