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LEGISLATIVE BILL 27

Approved by the Governor March 20, 2013

Introduced by Hadley, 37.

FOR AN ACT relating to the Public Accountancy Act; to amend section 1-136.02, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change experience requirements; and to repeal the original section.

Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. Section 1-136.02, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

1-136.02 (1) The board shall issue a permit under subdivision (1)(a) of section 1-136 to a holder of a certificate as a certified public accountant when such holder has had:

(a) Two years of public accounting experience satisfactory to the board, in any state, (i) in practice as a certified public accountant, (ii) in employment as a staff accountant by anyone engaging in the practice of public accountancy, or (iii) in any combination of either of such types of experience;

(b) Three years of auditing experience satisfactory to the board in the office of the Auditor of Public Accounts or in the Department of Revenue; or

- (c) Experience gained through employment by the federal government as a special agent or an internal revenue agent in the Internal Revenue Service, a degree from a college or university of recognized standing, and certification by a District Director of Internal Revenue that such person has had at least three and one-half years of field experience as a special agent or internal revenue agent.
- (a) Two years of accounting experience satisfactory to the board, in any state, in employment as an accountant in a firm, proprietorship, partnership, corporation, limited liability company, or other business entity authorized in any state to engage in the practice of public accountancy under the supervision of an active certified public accountant who is the holder of a permit issued under subdivision (1) (a) of section 1-136 or the equivalent issued by another state; or
- (b) Three years of accounting experience satisfactory to the board, in any state, in employment as (i) an accountant in government or business under the supervision of an active certified public accountant who is the holder of a permit issued under subdivision (1)(a) of section 1-136 or the equivalent issued by another state or (ii) faculty at a college or university of recognized standing under the supervision of an active certified public accountant who is the holder of a permit issued under subdivision (1)(a) of section 1-136 or the equivalent issued by another state.
- (2) The board shall issue a permit under subdivision (1)(a) of section 1--136 to a holder of a reciprocal certificate issued under section 1--124 upon a showing that:
- (a) He or she meets all current requirements in this state for issuance of a permit at the time the application is made; and
- (b) At the time of the application for a permit the applicant, within the ten years immediately preceding application, has had at least two years' experience in the practice of public accountancy as a sole proprietor or as a staff accountant. meets the experience requirement in subdivision (1) (a) or (b) of this section.
- Sec. 2. Original section 1-136.02, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is repealed.