

# 2024 Report to Oregon Legislature: SB 688

Status of Temporary Authorizations for Military  
Spouses and Domestic Partners to Conduct  
Professional Real Estate Activity in Oregon

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## Executive Summary

Section 1, chapter 142, Oregon Laws 2019, directs the Oregon Real Estate Agency (OREA) to issue a temporary authorization to conduct professional real estate activity in Oregon to a person who:

- Is the spouse of a member of the Armed Forces of the United States stationed in Oregon;
- Holds a current authorization to provide the occupational or professional service issued by another state determined by the Agency to have real estate licensing requirements that are substantially similar to those of Oregon;
- Provides to the Agency sufficient proof that the person is in good standing with the issuing out-of-state professional licensing board, and
- Has demonstrated competency, as determined by the Agency, in professional real estate activity.

OREA filed Oregon Administrative Rules 863-014-0054 and 863-024-0054, effective June 1, 2020. The rules implement the law and outline the process by which the Agency issues temporary authorizations. The rules were amended on April 1, 2024, to address federal legislation.

Section 1, chapter 626, Oregon Laws 2019, requires OREA to prepare an annual report on its implementation, maintenance, and outreach on policies and procedures pertaining to the issuing of temporary authorizations to military spouses and domestic partners of members of the Armed Forces stationed in this state. This report is designed to meet this requirement.

[This annual report is available on OREA's website.](#)

## Number of Applications and Time to Process

Per the requirements of (2)(a) through (2)(c) of section 1, chapter 626, Oregon Laws 2019, OREA reports the following:

The number of temporary authorizations issued to spouses or domestic partners of members of the Armed Forces of the United States who are stationed in this state.	1
The number of applications for temporary authorization received by the professional licensing board for which the professional licensing board did not issue temporary authorizations, and the reasons for which the temporary authorizations were not issued.	0
The amount of time used to process and issue the temporary authorizations.	½ hour

## **Efforts to Implement and Maintain a Process to Issue Temporary Authorizations**

Per (2)(d) of section 1, chapter 626, Oregon Laws 2019, the Oregon Real Estate Agency (OREA) must report on its efforts to implement and maintain a process to issue temporary authorizations.

OREA consistently reviews the need for updates and revisions to Oregon Administrative Rules (OAR) 863-014-0054 and 863-024-0054.

In 2022, President Biden signed the Veterans Auto and Education Improvement Act, which expanded federal law regarding license portability. In response, OREA determined that its administrative rules needed similar modifications to align with the federal law changes. The agency initiated the rulemaking process, and the amended rules became effective on April 1, 2024.

OREA provides ongoing training to frontline staff, with additional training conducted to address recent administrative rule changes.

# Other Information Relevant to Agency’s Efforts to Assist Spouses of Military Members

Per (2)(e) of section 1, chapter 626, Oregon Laws 2019, the Oregon Real Estate Agency must report any other information relevant to the Agency’s efforts to assist spouses or domestic partners of members of the Armed Forces of the United States who are stationed in Oregon with obtaining temporary authorization to conduct professional real estate activity.

<b>Completed and Continuing Outreach Efforts</b>	<b>Date Completed</b>
Association of Real Estate License Law Officials – law update	January 2021
National Guard – training slide shown yearly	On Going
Agency Website	On Going

The Agency will continue to research and refine its efforts to assist the spouses and domestic partners of military personnel stationed in Oregon.

## Conclusion

OREA received one application and issued one temporary authorization to conduct professional real estate activity in Oregon. It completed the permanent rulemaking process to comply with federal legislation.

A report on the required metrics will be issued annually per Chapter 626, Oregon Laws 2019.