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## **EASING VETERANS' ACCESS TO JOBS AND EDUCATION**

*Helping Ohio Veterans to Find Post-Military Jobs and Complete Their Education Has Been a Priority*

### **HELPING VETERANS GET JOBS**

Veterans often have advanced training in many of the skills that Ohio job creators are seeking, yet face challenges putting those skills to work in civilian life. Reforms championed by Governor John R. Kasich make it easier for veterans to transfer their skills to receive academic and licensure credit so they can quickly begin applying their skills in good-paying jobs that support their families, and their communities. The results not only benefit veterans, but also Ohio job creators who require the skilled and highly motivated workforce our veterans can provide.

- **Fast Track to State Licenses:** A number of Kasich Administration reforms strengthened opportunities for veterans who seek professional licensing credentials: making sure they can use their GI Bill dollars to pay for national or state occupational license and certificate testing fees; a prioritized process to expedite licensing and certification for veterans and their spouses; a broad and consistent definition of "veteran" that allows the State of Ohio to treat all former service men and women equally; and creation of a centralized website that provides state occupational licensing information to veterans and their spouses.
- **Academic Credit for Military Training and Experience:** Veterans working toward a college degree deserve credit for the military training, experience and coursework they have received in the service. Thanks to reforms by the Kasich Administration, higher education institutions not only accept military credit but also ensure veterans receive free college credit for military experience.
- **Improved Academic Counseling for Veterans:** All public higher education institutions provide high-quality academic and career counseling for veterans to help them transition into civilian life and navigate the unique programs designed to support them. Gov. Kasich worked to ensure each college and university adopted a policy to support veterans, provided a single point of contact for veterans transitioning back to school and delivered priority course registration for veterans.
- **Helping Veterans Find Job Opportunities:** Ohio created a new website to help Ohio veterans find work opportunities. *OhioMeansVeteranJobs.com* helps veterans translate the skills they gained in the military to help them pursue a career or get a professional license in a similar career field. It also helps veterans connect with military-friendly employers and veteran-owned businesses.
- **Encouraging Apprenticeship:** Veterans who take part in the state's ApprenticeshipOhio program may be able to use their GI Bill to help pay for enrollment costs and receive a tax-free monthly stipend.

