HB 609 -- PROFESSIONAL REGISTRATION

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This bill establishes guidelines for the regulation of occupations and professions not currently regulated by the Division of Professional Registration. The bill specifies that the state may not impose a substantial burden on an individual's pursuit of his or her occupation or profession unless there is an important governmental interest for the state to protect the general welfare. If an interest exists, the regulation adopted by the state must be substantially related to the public interest to be protected. All bills introduced in the General Assembly to regulate an occupation or profession for the first time must be reviewed according to specified criteria.

This bill is similar to HB 413, HB 480, HB 272 (2017), and HB 1466 (2016).