

The Texas Department of Transportation proposes amendments to §§4.10 and 4.15, concerning to Job Application Procedures. The amendments align the rules with changes made by Senate Bill No. 1376, Acts of the 88th Legislature, Regular Session, 2023, relating to employment preferences for members of the military and their spouses. That bill expands the state's employment preference for veterans to the spouse of a member of the United States armed forces or Texas National Guard serving on active duty, as well as a spouse of a veteran who has a total disability rating if the spouse is the primary source of income for the household. These spouses are given priority after that of a veteran but before a qualifying surviving spouse or qualifying orphan of a veteran. The rule amendments reflect those changes.