



March 26, 1999

**ENGROSSED  
SENATE BILL No. 138**

DIGEST OF SB 138 (Updated March 23, 1999 8:27 pm - DI 77)

**Citations Affected:** IC 24-5; IC 25-22.5; IC 25-23.

**Synopsis:** Authority to claim doctorate degree or title. Provides that certain professional boards in Indiana may authorize an individual to claim to have a doctorate degree or to use a title associated with a doctorate degree. Provides that an individual may not claim to be a physician unless the individual holds an unlimited license to practice medicine or a chiropractic physician unless the individual holds a limited license as a chiropractor. Requires the medical licensing board of Indiana to adopt rules that establish continuing education requirements designed to maintain the competency of physicians.  
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**Effective:** Upon passage; July 1, 1999.

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(HOUSE SPONSORS — KLINKER, SCHOLER)

January 6, 1999, read first time and referred to Committee on Health and Provider Services.

January 28, 1999, amended, reported favorably — Do Pass.

February 11, 1999, read second time, amended, ordered engrossed.

February 12, 1999, engrossed.

February 15, 1999, read third time, passed. Yeas 50, nays 0.

**HOUSE ACTION**

March 3, 1999, read first time and referred to Committee on Public Health.

March 25, 1999, amended, reported — Do Pass.

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Requires physicians to submit a statement attesting that they have obtained the necessary continuing education requirements to renew their licenses. Requires the Indiana state board of nursing to adopt rules that establish continuing education requirements designed to maintain the competency of nurses. Requires nurses to submit a statement attesting that they have obtained the necessary continuing education requirements. Allows for random continuing education compliance audits.

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Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 1998 General Assembly.

## ENGROSSED SENATE BILL No. 138

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning professions and occupations.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 24-5-0.5-12 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
2 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 12. (a) It is an  
3 incurable deceptive act for an individual, while soliciting or performing  
4 a consumer transaction, to claim, either orally or in writing, to possess  
5 a doctorate degree or use a title, a word, letters, an insignia, or an  
6 abbreviation associated with a doctorate degree, unless the individual:  
7 (1) has been awarded a doctorate degree from an institution that  
8 is:  
9 (A) accredited by a regional or professional accrediting agency  
10 recognized by the United States Department of Education or  
11 the Council on Postsecondary Accreditation;  
12 (B) a religious seminary, institute, college, or university whose  
13 certificates, diplomas, or degrees clearly identify the religious  
14 character of the educational program; or  
15 (C) operated and supported by a governmental agency; or  
16 (2) meets the requirements approved by a ~~board listed in IC~~

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~~25-1-2-6.~~ **one (1) of the following boards:**

- (1) Medical licensing board of Indiana.**
- (2) State board of dental examiners.**
- (3) Indiana optometry board.**
- (4) Board of podiatric medicine.**
- (5) State psychology board.**
- (6) Board of chiropractic examiners.**
- (7) Indiana board of veterinary medical examiners.**
- (8) Indiana board of pharmacy.**
- (9) Indiana state board of nursing.**

**(b) It is an incurable deceptive act for an individual, while soliciting or performing a consumer transaction, to claim to be a:**

- (1) physician unless the individual holds an unlimited license to practice medicine under IC 25-22.5; or**
- (2) chiropractic physician unless the individual holds a limited license as a chiropractor under IC 25-10-1.**

~~(b)~~ **(c) The attorney general shall enforce this section in the same manner as any other incurable deceptive act under this chapter.**

**SECTION 2. IC 25-22.5-2-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 7. The board shall do the following:**

- (1) Adopt rules and forms necessary to implement this article that concern, but are not limited to, the following areas:**
  - (A) Qualification by education, residence, citizenship, training, and character for admission to an examination for licensure or by endorsement for licensure.**
  - (B) The examination for licensure.**
  - (C) The license or permit.**
  - (D) Fees for examination, permit, licensure, and registration.**
  - (E) Reinstatement of licenses and permits.**
  - (F) Payment of costs in disciplinary proceedings conducted by the board.**
  - (G) Establishment of mandatory continuing education requirements designed to maintain the competency of individuals licensed under this chapter, including requirements providing that only educational activities that meet professional role expectations satisfy continuing education requirements.**
- (2) Administer oaths in matters relating to the discharge of its official duties.**
- (3) Enforce this article and assign service bureau personnel duties as may be necessary in the discharge of the board's duty.**

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- 1 (4) Maintain, through the service bureau, full and complete  
 2 records of all applicants for licensure or permit and of all licenses  
 3 and permits issued.
- 4 (5) Make available, upon request, the complete schedule of  
 5 minimum requirements for licensure or permit.
- 6 (6) Issue, at the board's discretion, a temporary permit to an  
 7 applicant for the interim from the date of application until the  
 8 next regular meeting of the board.
- 9 (7) Issue an unlimited license, a limited license, or a temporary  
 10 medical permit, depending upon the qualifications of the  
 11 applicant, to any applicant who successfully fulfills all of the  
 12 requirements of this article.
- 13 (8) Adopt rules establishing standards for the competent practice  
 14 of medicine, osteopathic medicine, or any other form of practice  
 15 regulated by a limited license or permit issued under this article.
- 16 (9) Adopt rules regarding the appropriate prescribing of Schedule  
 17 III or Schedule IV controlled substances for the purpose of weight  
 18 reduction or to control obesity.
- 19 SECTION 3. IC 25-22.5-7-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
 20 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 1. (a) A license issued  
 21 under this article expires on June 30 of each odd-numbered year.  
 22 Before June 30 of an odd-numbered year, an applicant for renewal shall  
 23 pay the biennial renewal fee set by the board under IC 25-22.5-2-7.
- 24 (b) If the holder of a license does not renew the license by June 30  
 25 of each odd-numbered year, the license expires and becomes invalid  
 26 without any action taken by the board. A license that becomes invalid  
 27 under this subsection may be reinstated by the board up to three (3)  
 28 years after the invalidation if the holder of the invalid license: ~~pays:~~
- 29 (1) **pays** the penalty fee set by the board under IC 25-22.5-2-7;  
 30 ~~and~~
- 31 (2) **pays** the renewal fee for the biennium; **and**
- 32 (3) **completes the continuing education requirement**  
 33 **established by the board.**
- 34 (c) If a license that becomes invalid under this section is not  
 35 reinstated by the board within three (3) years of its invalidation, the  
 36 holder of the invalid license may be required by the board to take an  
 37 examination for competence before the board will reinstate the holder's  
 38 license.
- 39 (d) The board may adopt rules under IC 25-22.5-2-7 establishing  
 40 requirements for the reinstatement of a lapsed license.
- 41 (e) **An individual may not renew a license under this article**  
 42 **unless the individual has completed the continuing education**

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1 requirements established under IC 25-22.5-2-7(1)(G). An  
 2 application under this section must contain a sworn statement  
 3 signed by the applicant attesting that the applicant has fulfilled the  
 4 continuing education requirements.

5 (f) Every two (2) years, the board may randomly audit for  
 6 compliance at least one percent (1%) but not more than ten  
 7 percent (10%) of the practitioners required to take continuing  
 8 education courses.

9 (g) Notwithstanding IC 25-22.5-2-7(1)(G), the continuing  
 10 education requirement does not apply to the following:

11 (1) A practitioner who has held an initial license for less than  
 12 two (2) years.

13 (2) A practitioner who the board has determined is unable to  
 14 meet the requirement due to a disability.

15 (h) For each continuing education course attended or completed,  
 16 the practitioner shall retain:

17 (1) a record of the number of hours spent in each continuing  
 18 education course;

19 (2) the subject matter presented;

20 (3) the name of the sponsoring organization; and

21 (4) verification of attendance or completion;

22 for three (3) years after the date the practitioner's license was  
 23 renewed.

24 SECTION 4. IC 25-23-1-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
 25 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 7. (a) The board shall  
 26 do the following:

27 (1) Adopt under IC 4-22-2 rules necessary to enable it to carry  
 28 into effect this chapter.

29 (2) Prescribe standards and approve curricula for nursing  
 30 education programs preparing persons for licensure under this  
 31 chapter.

32 (3) Provide for surveys of such programs at such times as it  
 33 considers necessary.

34 (4) Accredite such programs as meet the requirements of this  
 35 chapter and of the board.

36 (5) Deny or withdraw accreditation from nursing education  
 37 programs for failure to meet prescribed curricula or other  
 38 standards.

39 (6) Examine, license, and renew the license of qualified  
 40 applicants.

41 (7) Issue subpoenas, compel the attendance of witnesses, and  
 42 administer oaths to persons giving testimony at hearings.



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- 1 (8) Cause the prosecution of all persons violating this chapter and  
 2 have power to incur necessary expenses for these prosecutions.  
 3 (9) Adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 that do the following:  
 4 (A) Prescribe standards for the competent practice of  
 5 registered, practical, and advanced practice nursing.  
 6 (B) Establish with the approval of the medical licensing board  
 7 created by IC 25-22.5-2-1 requirements that advanced practice  
 8 nurses must meet to be granted authority to prescribe legend  
 9 drugs and to retain that authority.  
 10 **(C) Establish continuing education requirements designed**  
 11 **to maintain the competency of individuals licensed under**  
 12 **this chapter, including requirements providing that only**  
 13 **educational activities that meet professional role**  
 14 **expectations satisfy continuing education requirements.**  
 15 (10) Keep a record of all its proceedings.  
 16 (11) Collect and distribute annually demographic information on  
 17 the number and type of registered nurses and licensed practical  
 18 nurses employed in Indiana.  
 19 (12) Notify each registered nurse and licensed practical nurse  
 20 residing in Indiana when final rules concerning the practice of  
 21 nursing are published in the Indiana register.  
 22 (b) The board may do the following:  
 23 (1) Create ad hoc subcommittees representing the various nursing  
 24 specialties and interests of the profession of nursing. Persons  
 25 appointed to a subcommittee serve for terms as determined by the  
 26 board.  
 27 (2) Utilize the appropriate subcommittees so as to assist the board  
 28 with its responsibilities. The assistance provided by the  
 29 subcommittees may include the following:  
 30 (A) Recommendation of rules necessary to carry out the duties  
 31 of the board.  
 32 (B) Recommendations concerning educational programs and  
 33 requirements.  
 34 (C) Recommendations regarding examinations and licensure  
 35 of applicants.  
 36 (3) Appoint nurses to serve on each of the ad hoc subcommittees.  
 37 (c) Nurses appointed under subsection (b) must:  
 38 (1) be committed to advancing and safeguarding the nursing  
 39 profession as a whole; and  
 40 (2) represent nurses who practice in the field directly affected by  
 41 a subcommittee's actions.  
 42 SECTION 5. IC 25-23-1-16.1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS

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1 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 16.1. (a) A license to  
 2 practice as a registered nurse expires on October 31 in each  
 3 odd-numbered year. Failure to renew the license on or before the  
 4 expiration date will automatically render the license invalid without  
 5 any action by the board.

6 (b) A license to practice as a licensed practical nurse expires on  
 7 October 31 in each even-numbered year. Failure to renew the license  
 8 on or before the expiration date will automatically render the license  
 9 invalid without any action by the board.

10 (c) The procedures and fee for renewal shall be set by the board.

11 (d) At the time of license renewal, each registered nurse and each  
 12 licensed practical nurse shall pay an additional three dollar (\$3) fee.  
 13 The lesser of the following amounts from fees collected under this  
 14 subsection shall be deposited in the impaired nurses account of the  
 15 state general fund established by section 34 of this chapter:

16 (1) Three dollars (\$3) per license renewed under this section.

17 (2) The cost per license to operate the impaired nurses program,  
 18 as determined by the health professions bureau.

19 (e) **To renew a license under this section, an individual must**  
 20 **have completed the continuing education requirements established**  
 21 **by the board under section 7(a)(9)(C) of this chapter. An**  
 22 **application under this section must contain a sworn statement**  
 23 **signed by the applicant attesting that the applicant has fulfilled the**  
 24 **continuing education requirements.**

25 (f) Every two (2) years, the board may randomly audit for  
 26 compliance at least one percent (1%) but not more than ten  
 27 percent (10%) of the nurses required to take continuing education  
 28 courses.

29 (g) **Notwithstanding IC 25-22.5-2-7(1)(G), the continuing**  
 30 **education requirement does not apply to the following:**

31 (1) A nurse who has held an initial license for less than two (2)  
 32 years.

33 (2) A nurse who the board has determined is unable to meet  
 34 the requirement due to a disability.

35 (h) **For each continuing education course attended or completed,**  
 36 **the nurse shall retain:**

37 (1) **a record of the number of hours spent in each continuing**  
 38 **education course;**

39 (2) **the subject matter presented;**

40 (3) **the name of the sponsoring organization; and**

41 (4) **verification of attendance or completion;**

42 **for three (3) years after the date the nurse's license was renewed.**



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1        **SECTION 6. An emergency is declared for this act.**

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## COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. President: The Senate Committee on Health and Provider Services, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 138, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

Page 1, line 6, after "individual" insert ":".

Page 1, line 7, before "(1)" begin a new line block indented.

Page 1, line 7, reset in roman "(1)".

Page 1, line 8, before "(A)" begin a new line double block indented.

Page 1, line 8, reset in roman "(A)".

Page 1, line 8, delete "(1)".

Page 1, line 11, before "(B)" begin a new line double block indented.

Page 1, line 11, reset in roman "(B)".

Page 1, line 11, delete "(2)".

Page 1, line 14, before "(C)" begin a new line double block indented.

Page 1, line 14, reset in roman "(C)".

Page 1, line 14, delete "(3)".

Page 1, line 14, delete "." and insert ";".

Page 1, line 14, reset in roman "or".

Page 1, line 15, reset in roman "(2) meets the requirements approved by".

Page 1, line 16, after "IC 25-1-2-6." insert "**one (1) of the following boards:**".

Page 1, between lines 16 and 17, begin a new line double block indented and insert:

**"(1) Medical licensing board of Indiana.**

**(2) State board of dental examiners.**

**(3) Indiana optometry board.**

**(4) Board of podiatric medicine.**

**(5) State psychology board.**

**(6) Board of chiropractic examiners.**

**(7) Indiana board of veterinary medical examiners.**

**In addition, it is an incurable deceptive act for an individual, while soliciting or performing a consumer transaction, to claim to be a physician unless the individual holds an unlimited license to practice medicine under IC 25-22.5."**



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and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to SB 138 as introduced.)

MILLER, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0.

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SENATE MOTION

Mr. President: I move that Senate Bill 138 be amended to read as follows:

Page 2, line 8, delete "In addition, it", begin a new paragraph and insert:

**"(b) It".**

Page 2, line 9, after "be a" insert ":".

Page 2, line 10, before "physician" begin a new line block indented and insert:

**"(1)".**

Page 2, line 11, delete "." and insert "; or

**(2) chiropractic physician unless the individual holds a limited license as a chiropractic physician under IC 25-10-1."**

Page 2, line 12, strike "(b)" and insert "(c)".

(Reference is to SB 138 as printed January 29, 1999.)

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## COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Public Health, to which was referred Senate Bill 138, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill be amended as follows:

Delete the title and insert the following:

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning professions and occupations.

Page 2, between lines 7 and 8, begin a new line block indented and insert:

**"(8) Indiana board of pharmacy.**

**(9) Indiana state board of nursing."**

Page 2, line 13, delete "chiropractic physician" and insert "**chiropractor**".

Page 2, between lines 15 and 16, begin a new paragraph and insert: "SECTION 2. IC 25-22.5-2-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 7. The board shall do the following:

(1) Adopt rules and forms necessary to implement this article that concern, but are not limited to, the following areas:

(A) Qualification by education, residence, citizenship, training, and character for admission to an examination for licensure or by endorsement for licensure.

(B) The examination for licensure.

(C) The license or permit.

(D) Fees for examination, permit, licensure, and registration.

(E) Reinstatement of licenses and permits.

(F) Payment of costs in disciplinary proceedings conducted by the board.

**(G) Establishment of mandatory continuing education requirements designed to maintain the competency of individuals licensed under this chapter, including requirements providing that only educational activities that meet professional role expectations satisfy continuing education requirements.**

(2) Administer oaths in matters relating to the discharge of its official duties.

(3) Enforce this article and assign service bureau personnel duties as may be necessary in the discharge of the board's duty.

(4) Maintain, through the service bureau, full and complete records of all applicants for licensure or permit and of all licenses and permits issued.



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(5) Make available, upon request, the complete schedule of minimum requirements for licensure or permit.

(6) Issue, at the board's discretion, a temporary permit to an applicant for the interim from the date of application until the next regular meeting of the board.

(7) Issue an unlimited license, a limited license, or a temporary medical permit, depending upon the qualifications of the applicant, to any applicant who successfully fulfills all of the requirements of this article.

(8) Adopt rules establishing standards for the competent practice of medicine, osteopathic medicine, or any other form of practice regulated by a limited license or permit issued under this article.

(9) Adopt rules regarding the appropriate prescribing of Schedule III or Schedule IV controlled substances for the purpose of weight reduction or to control obesity.

SECTION 3. IC 25-22.5-7-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 1. (a) A license issued under this article expires on June 30 of each odd-numbered year. Before June 30 of an odd-numbered year, an applicant for renewal shall pay the biennial renewal fee set by the board under IC 25-22.5-2-7.

(b) If the holder of a license does not renew the license by June 30 of each odd-numbered year, the license expires and becomes invalid without any action taken by the board. A license that becomes invalid under this subsection may be reinstated by the board up to three (3) years after the invalidation if the holder of the invalid license: ~~pays:~~

(1) ~~pays~~ the penalty fee set by the board under IC 25-22.5-2-7; ~~and~~

(2) ~~pays~~ the renewal fee for the biennium; ~~and~~

**(3) completes the continuing education requirement established by the board.**

(c) If a license that becomes invalid under this section is not reinstated by the board within three (3) years of its invalidation, the holder of the invalid license may be required by the board to take an examination for competence before the board will reinstate the holder's license.

(d) The board may adopt rules under IC 25-22.5-2-7 establishing requirements for the reinstatement of a lapsed license.

**(e) An individual may not renew a license under this article unless the individual has completed the continuing education requirements established under IC 25-22.5-2-7(1)(G). An application under this section must contain a sworn statement signed by the applicant attesting that the applicant has fulfilled the**

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**continuing education requirements.**

(f) Every two (2) years, the board may randomly audit for compliance at least one percent (1%) but not more than ten percent (10%) of the practitioners required to take continuing education courses.

(g) Notwithstanding IC 25-22.5-2-7(1)(G), the continuing education requirement does not apply to the following:

- (1) A practitioner who has held an initial license for less than two (2) years.
- (2) A practitioner who the board has determined is unable to meet the requirement due to a disability.

(h) For each continuing education course attended or completed, the practitioner shall retain:

- (1) a record of the number of hours spent in each continuing education course;
- (2) the subject matter presented;
- (3) the name of the sponsoring organization; and
- (4) verification of attendance or completion;

for three (3) years after the date the practitioner's license was renewed.

SECTION 4. IC 25-23-1-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 7. (a) The board shall do the following:

- (1) Adopt under IC 4-22-2 rules necessary to enable it to carry into effect this chapter.
- (2) Prescribe standards and approve curricula for nursing education programs preparing persons for licensure under this chapter.
- (3) Provide for surveys of such programs at such times as it considers necessary.
- (4) Accredite such programs as meet the requirements of this chapter and of the board.
- (5) Deny or withdraw accreditation from nursing education programs for failure to meet prescribed curricula or other standards.
- (6) Examine, license, and renew the license of qualified applicants.
- (7) Issue subpoenas, compel the attendance of witnesses, and administer oaths to persons giving testimony at hearings.
- (8) Cause the prosecution of all persons violating this chapter and have power to incur necessary expenses for these prosecutions.
- (9) Adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 that do the following:



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(A) Prescribe standards for the competent practice of registered, practical, and advanced practice nursing.

(B) Establish with the approval of the medical licensing board created by IC 25-22.5-2-1 requirements that advanced practice nurses must meet to be granted authority to prescribe legend drugs and to retain that authority.

**(C) Establish continuing education requirements designed to maintain the competency of individuals licensed under this chapter, including requirements providing that only educational activities that meet professional role expectations satisfy continuing education requirements.**

(10) Keep a record of all its proceedings.

(11) Collect and distribute annually demographic information on the number and type of registered nurses and licensed practical nurses employed in Indiana.

(12) Notify each registered nurse and licensed practical nurse residing in Indiana when final rules concerning the practice of nursing are published in the Indiana register.

(b) The board may do the following:

(1) Create ad hoc subcommittees representing the various nursing specialties and interests of the profession of nursing. Persons appointed to a subcommittee serve for terms as determined by the board.

(2) Utilize the appropriate subcommittees so as to assist the board with its responsibilities. The assistance provided by the subcommittees may include the following:

(A) Recommendation of rules necessary to carry out the duties of the board.

(B) Recommendations concerning educational programs and requirements.

(C) Recommendations regarding examinations and licensure of applicants.

(3) Appoint nurses to serve on each of the ad hoc subcommittees.

(c) Nurses appointed under subsection (b) must:

(1) be committed to advancing and safeguarding the nursing profession as a whole; and

(2) represent nurses who practice in the field directly affected by a subcommittee's actions.

SECTION 5. IC 25-23-1-16.1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 16.1. (a) A license to practice as a registered nurse expires on October 31 in each odd-numbered year. Failure to renew the license on or before the



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expiration date will automatically render the license invalid without any action by the board.

(b) A license to practice as a licensed practical nurse expires on October 31 in each even-numbered year. Failure to renew the license on or before the expiration date will automatically render the license invalid without any action by the board.

(c) The procedures and fee for renewal shall be set by the board.

(d) At the time of license renewal, each registered nurse and each licensed practical nurse shall pay an additional three dollar (\$3) fee. The lesser of the following amounts from fees collected under this subsection shall be deposited in the impaired nurses account of the state general fund established by section 34 of this chapter:

- (1) Three dollars (\$3) per license renewed under this section.
- (2) The cost per license to operate the impaired nurses program, as determined by the health professions bureau.

**(e) To renew a license under this section, an individual must have completed the continuing education requirements established by the board under section 7(a)(9)(C) of this chapter. An application under this section must contain a sworn statement signed by the applicant attesting that the applicant has fulfilled the continuing education requirements.**

(f) Every two (2) years, the board may randomly audit for compliance at least one percent (1%) but not more than ten percent (10%) of the nurses required to take continuing education courses.

(g) Notwithstanding IC 25-22.5-2-7(1)(G), the continuing education requirement does not apply to the following:

- (1) A nurse who has held an initial license for less than two (2) years.
- (2) A nurse who the board has determined is unable to meet the requirement due to a disability.

(h) For each continuing education course attended or completed, the nurse shall retain:

- (1) a record of the number of hours spent in each continuing education course;
- (2) the subject matter presented;
- (3) the name of the sponsoring organization; and
- (4) verification of attendance or completion;

for three (3) years after the date the nurse's license was renewed."

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.



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and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to SB 138 as reprinted February 12, 1999.)

BROWN C, Chair

Committee Vote: yeas 11, nays 2.

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