
ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 491—COMMITTEE ON
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

MARCH 22, 2007

Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

SUMMARY—Makes various changes concerning the clinical education of a student in a school of nursing. (BDR 54-1339)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: No.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to the practice of nursing; prohibiting a person from enrolling in a course of clinical education unless he first obtains a certificate of privilege to enroll in such a course; requiring a person who wishes to obtain such a certificate to submit his fingerprints to the Board for use by the Board in obtaining a report on the person's criminal history; authorizing the imposition of certain fees; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

1 Under existing law, the State Board of Nursing regulates the practice of nursing
2 and schools of nursing. (Chapter 632 of NRS) **Section 1** of this bill prohibits a
3 nursing student from enrolling in a course of clinical education conducted by a
4 school of nursing unless he has obtained from the Board a certificate of privilege to
5 enroll in a course of clinical education. To obtain such a certificate, a nursing
6 student must apply to the Board and submit his fingerprints and his authorization
7 for the Board to use the fingerprints to obtain a report of his criminal history. The
8 Board will issue the certificate unless the report reveals that the applicant has been
9 convicted of a crime that would, if it had been committed by a licensee, be grounds
10 for initiating disciplinary action against the licensee. **Section 2** of this bill
11 establishes the range of certain fees that the Board must impose with respect to an
12 application for such a certificate.



THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Chapter 632 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. A person may not enroll in a course of clinical education conducted by a school of nursing unless he first obtains a certificate of privilege to enroll in a course of clinical education issued by the Board.

2. A person who wishes to obtain a certificate of privilege to enroll in a course of clinical education must submit an application to the Board which is accompanied by:

(a) Two complete sets of the person's fingerprints and written permission authorizing the Board to forward those fingerprints to the Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History for submission to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for its report. A person may submit his fingerprints electronically.

(b) The fees established pursuant to NRS 632.345.

3. The Board shall issue a certificate of privilege to enroll in a course of clinical education to an applicant upon receipt of the report issued by the Federal Bureau of Investigation unless the report includes evidence that the applicant has been convicted of a crime that would, if committed by a licensee, be grounds for initiating disciplinary action pursuant to NRS 632.320.

4. As used in this section:

(a) "Clinical education" means a course of instruction or class in which a student has contact with a patient in a clinical setting.

(b) "School of nursing" means an:

(1) Accredited school of nursing.

(2) Accredited school of practical nursing.

(3) Accredited school of professional nursing.

(4) Approved school of nursing.

(5) Approved school of practical nursing.

(6) Approved school of professional nursing.

Sec. 2. NRS 632.345 is hereby amended to read as follows:

632.345 1. The Board shall establish and may amend a schedule of fees and charges for the following items and within the following ranges:

	Not less than	Not more than
Application for license to practice professional nursing (registered nurse).....	\$45	\$100



	Not less than	Not more than
Application for license to practice practical nursing.....	\$30	\$90
Application for temporary license to practice professional nursing or practical nursing pursuant to NRS 632.300, which fee must be credited toward the fee required for a regular license, if the applicant applies for a license.....	15	50
Application for a certificate to practice as a nursing assistant.....	15	50
Application for a temporary certificate to practice as a nursing assistant pursuant to NRS 632.300, which fee must be credited toward the fee required for a regular certificate, if the applicant applies for a certificate.....	5	40
<i>Application for a certificate of privilege to enroll in a course of clinical education.....</i>	<i>40</i>	<i>100</i>
<i>Fee for the electronic submission of fingerprints.....</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>50</i>
Biennial fee for renewal of a license.....	40	100
Biennial fee for renewal of a certificate.....	20	50
Fee for reinstatement of a license.....	10	100
Application for recognition as an advanced practitioner of nursing.....	50	200
Application for recognition as a certified registered nurse anesthetist.....	50	200
Biennial fee for renewal of recognition as an advanced practitioner of nursing or certified registered nurse anesthetist.....	50	200
Examination fee for license to practice professional nursing.....	20	100
Examination fee for license to practice practical nursing.....	10	90
Rewriting examination for license to practice professional nursing.....	20	100
Rewriting examination for license to practice practical nursing.....	10	90
Duplicate license	5	30



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	Not less than	Not more than
Duplicate certificate	\$5	\$30
Proctoring examination for candidate from another state	25	150
Fee for approving one course of continuing education.....	10	50
Fee for reviewing one course of continuing education which has been changed since approval	5	30
Annual fee for approval of all courses of continuing education offered.....	100	500
Annual fee for review of training program.....	60	100
Certification examination.....	10	90
Approval of instructors of training programs	50	100
Approval of proctors for certification examinations	20	50
Approval of training programs.....	150	250
Validation of licensure or certification	5	25

2. The Board may collect the fees and charges established pursuant to this section, and those fees or charges must not be refunded.

Sec. 3. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2007.

