

**Adopted  
COMMITTEE AMENDMENT NO 1 PROPOSED TO**

**House Bill No. 1303**

**BY: Committee**

1       **AMEND title** on lines 6 and 13 by deleting the following:  
2 "73-15-29, 73-3-339, 73-15-19 and 73-15-21".

3       **AMEND title further** on line 28 after the semicolon by  
4 inserting the following: "TO BRING FORWARD SECTIONS 73-15-29, 73-  
5 3-339, 73-15-19 AND 73-15-21, FOR PURPOSES OF AMENDMENT;".

6       **AMEND further** on line 50 by inserting "(1)" behind the "73-  
7 77-5".

8       **AMEND further** on line 56 by inserting the following: "The  
9 provisions of this act shall not apply to the admission or  
10 reinstatement of any person to The Mississippi Bar as an attorney  
11 in good standing authorized to practice law.



12           (2) The provisions of this act shall not apply to the  
13 provisions of the Nurse Licensure Compact in Section 73-15-201."

14           **AMEND further** by inserting the following after line 84:

15           "Nothing in this section shall preclude any board, commission  
16 or other licensing entity from granting licenses to individuals  
17 convicted of disqualifying convictions, after considering the  
18 factors listed under this subsection (2)."

19           **AMEND further** on line 91 by inserting the following:

20           " ( \* \* \*5) The provisions of this act shall not apply to the  
21 admission or reinstatement of any person to The Mississippi Bar as  
22 an attorney in good standing authorized to practice law.

23           (6) The provisions of this act shall not apply to the  
24 provisions of the Nurse Licensure Compact in Section 73-15-201."

25           **AMEND further** on line 129 and 130 by deleting all underlined  
26 language and inserting in lieu thereof, the following: "This  
27 section shall not apply to the admission or reinstatement of any  
28 person to The Mississippi Bar as an attorney in good standing  
29 authorized to practice law.

30           (7) The provisions of this act shall not apply to the  
31 provisions of the Nurse Licensure Compact in Section 73-15-201."

32           **AMEND FURTHER** on line 504 by deleting Section 10 in its  
33 entirety and inserting in lieu thereof:



34           **"SECTION 10.** Section 73-3-339, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
35 brought forward as follows:

36           73-3-339. Whenever any attorney subject to the disciplinary  
37 jurisdiction of the court shall be convicted in any state court or  
38 in any federal court, or enter a plea of guilty or a plea of nolo  
39 contendere therein, of any felony other than manslaughter or any  
40 violation of the United States Internal Revenue Code, or of any  
41 offense involving fraud, dishonesty, misrepresentation, deceit,  
42 failure to account for money or property of a client, or of any  
43 offense involving moral turpitude, a certified copy of the  
44 judgment of conviction shall be presented to the court by the  
45 Board of Commissioners. Upon the presentation of such certified  
46 copy of judgment, the court shall forthwith strike the name of the  
47 attorney so convicted or who entered such a plea from the rolls of  
48 The Mississippi Bar and order his immediate suspension from  
49 practice, pending an appeal and final disposition of disciplinary  
50 proceedings. Such attorney will be reinstated immediately upon  
51 the reversal of his conviction for the offense that has resulted  
52 in his automatic suspension, but such reinstatement shall not  
53 terminate any disciplinary proceeding then pending against the  
54 attorney.

55           A certified copy of the final judgment of conviction of an  
56 attorney for any offense hereinabove specified shall be conclusive  
57 evidence of his guilt of that offense in any disciplinary  
58 proceeding instituted against him and based on said conviction.



59           Upon the conviction of an attorney, or the entry by him of a  
60 plea of nolo contendere, for the above offenses, excluding  
61 manslaughter or any violation of the United States Internal  
62 Revenue Code, the Board of Commissioners shall immediately direct  
63 complaint counsel to institute a disciplinary proceeding in which  
64 the sole issue to be determined will be the extent of the final  
65 discipline to be imposed; provided, however, a disciplinary  
66 proceeding so instituted shall not be brought to hearing until all  
67 appeals from such conviction have been concluded.

68           The judge of any court within this state in which an attorney  
69 has been convicted for any of the above enumerated offenses shall  
70 cause to be transmitted to the court and to the Board of  
71 Commissioners a certified copy of the judgment of conviction."

72           **AMEND further** on line 1068, 5251 and 5402 by deleting  
73 Sections 73-15-29, 73-15-19 and 73-15-21 and inserting lieu  
74 thereof the following:

75           **"SECTION 14.** Section 73-15-29, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
76 brought forward as follows:

77           73-15-29. (1) The board shall have power to revoke, suspend  
78 or refuse to renew any license issued by the board, or to revoke  
79 or suspend any privilege to practice, or to deny an application  
80 for a license, or to fine, place on probation and/or discipline a  
81 licensee, in any manner specified in this article, upon proof that  
82 such person:



83 (a) Has committed fraud or deceit in securing or  
84 attempting to secure such license;

85 (b) Has been convicted of a felony, or a crime  
86 involving moral turpitude or has had accepted by a court a plea of  
87 nolo contendere to a felony or a crime involving moral turpitude  
88 (a certified copy of the judgment of the court of competent  
89 jurisdiction of such conviction or pleas shall be prima facie  
90 evidence of such conviction);

91 (c) Has negligently or willfully acted in a manner  
92 inconsistent with the health or safety of the persons under the  
93 licensee's care;

94 (d) Has had a license or privilege to practice as a  
95 registered nurse or a licensed practical nurse suspended or  
96 revoked in any jurisdiction, has voluntarily surrendered such  
97 license or privilege to practice in any jurisdiction, has been  
98 placed on probation as a registered nurse or licensed practical  
99 nurse in any jurisdiction or has been placed under a disciplinary  
100 order(s) in any manner as a registered nurse or licensed practical  
101 nurse in any jurisdiction, (a certified copy of the order of  
102 suspension, revocation, probation or disciplinary action shall be  
103 prima facie evidence of such action);

104 (e) Has negligently or willfully practiced nursing in a  
105 manner that fails to meet generally accepted standards of such  
106 nursing practice;



107           (f) Has negligently or willfully violated any order,  
108 rule or regulation of the board pertaining to nursing practice or  
109 licensure;

110           (g) Has falsified or in a repeatedly negligent manner  
111 made incorrect entries or failed to make essential entries on  
112 records;

113           (h) Is addicted to or dependent on alcohol or other  
114 habit-forming drugs or is a habitual user of narcotics,  
115 barbiturates, amphetamines, hallucinogens, or other drugs having  
116 similar effect, or has misappropriated any medication;

117           (i) Has a physical, mental or emotional condition that  
118 renders the licensee unable to perform nursing services or duties  
119 with reasonable skill and safety;

120           (j) Has engaged in any other conduct, whether of the  
121 same or of a different character from that specified in this  
122 article, that would constitute a crime as defined in Title 97 of  
123 the Mississippi Code of 1972, as now or hereafter amended, and  
124 that relates to such person's employment as a registered nurse or  
125 licensed practical nurse;

126           (k) Engages in conduct likely to deceive, defraud or  
127 harm the public;

128           (l) Engages in any unprofessional conduct as identified  
129 by the board in its rules;

130           (m) Has violated any provision of this article;



131 (n) Violation(s) of the provisions of Sections 41-121-1  
132 through 41-121-9 relating to deceptive advertisement by health  
133 care practitioners. This paragraph shall stand repealed on July  
134 1, 2025; or

135 (o) Violation(s) of any provision of Title 41, Chapter  
136 141, Mississippi Code of 1972.

137 (2) When the board finds any person unqualified because of  
138 any of the grounds set forth in subsection (1) of this section, it  
139 may enter an order imposing one or more of the following  
140 penalties:

141 (a) Denying application for a license or other  
142 authorization to practice nursing or practical nursing;

143 (b) Administering a reprimand;

144 (c) Suspending or restricting the license or other  
145 authorization to practice as a registered nurse or licensed  
146 practical nurse for up to two (2) years without review;

147 (d) Revoking the license or other authorization to  
148 practice nursing or practical nursing;

149 (e) Requiring the disciplinee to submit to care,  
150 counseling or treatment by persons and/or agencies approved or  
151 designated by the board as a condition for initial, continued or  
152 renewed licensure or other authorization to practice nursing or  
153 practical nursing;

154 (f) Requiring the disciplinee to participate in a  
155 program of education prescribed by the board as a condition for



156 initial, continued or renewed licensure or other authorization to  
157 practice;

158 (g) Requiring the discipline to practice under the  
159 supervision of a registered nurse for a specified period of time;  
160 or

161 (h) Imposing a fine not to exceed Five Hundred Dollars  
162 (\$500.00).

163 (3) In addition to the grounds specified in subsection (1)  
164 of this section, the board shall be authorized to suspend the  
165 license or privilege to practice of any licensee for being out of  
166 compliance with an order for support, as defined in Section  
167 93-11-153. The procedure for suspension of a license or privilege  
168 to practice for being out of compliance with an order for support,  
169 and the procedure for the reissuance or reinstatement of a license  
170 or privilege to practice suspended for that purpose, and the  
171 payment of any fees for the reissuance or reinstatement of a  
172 license or privilege to practice suspended for that purpose, shall  
173 be governed by Section 93-11-157 or 93-11-163, as the case may be.  
174 If there is any conflict between any provision of Section  
175 93-11-157 or 93-11-163 and any provision of this article, the  
176 provisions of Section 93-11-157 or 93-11-163, as the case may be,  
177 shall control.

178 (4) If the public health, safety or welfare imperatively  
179 requires emergency action and the board incorporates a finding to  
180 that effect in an order, the board may order summary suspension of





181 a license pending proceedings for revocation or other action.  
182 These proceedings shall be promptly instituted and determined by  
183 the board.

184 (5) The board may establish by rule an alternative to  
185 discipline program for licensees who have an impairment as a  
186 result of substance abuse or a mental health condition, which  
187 program shall include at least the following components:

188 (a) Participation in the program is voluntary with the  
189 licensee, and the licensee must enter the program before the board  
190 holds a disciplinary action hearing regarding the licensee;

191 (b) The full cost of participation in the program,  
192 including the cost of any care, counseling, treatment and/or  
193 education received by the licensee, shall be borne by the  
194 licensee;

195 (c) All of the procedures and records regarding the  
196 licensee's participation in the program shall be confidential,  
197 shall not be disclosed and shall be exempt from the provisions of  
198 the Mississippi Public Records Act of 1983; and

199 (d) A licensee may not participate in the program more  
200 often than one (1) time during any period of five (5) years or  
201 such longer period as set by the board.

202 (6) A nurse practitioner who provides a written  
203 certification as authorized under the Mississippi Medical Cannabis  
204 Act and in compliance with rules and regulations adopted



205 thereunder shall not be subject to any disciplinary action under  
206 this section solely due to providing the written certification.

207 **SECTION 57.** Section 73-15-19, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
208 brought forward as follows:

209 73-15-19. (1) **Registered nurse applicant qualifications.**

210 Any applicant for a license to practice as a registered nurse  
211 shall submit to the board:

212 (a) An attested written application on a Board of  
213 Nursing form;

214 (b) Written official evidence of completion of a  
215 nursing program approved by the Board of Trustees of State  
216 Institutions of Higher Learning, or one approved by a legal  
217 accrediting agency of another state, territory or possession of  
218 the United States, the District of Columbia, or a foreign country  
219 which is satisfactory to this board;

220 (c) Evidence of competence in English related to  
221 nursing, provided the first language is not English;

222 (d) Any other official records required by the board.

223 In addition to the requirements specified in paragraphs (a)  
224 through (d) of this subsection, in order to qualify for a license  
225 to practice as a registered nurse, an applicant must have  
226 successfully been cleared for licensure through an investigation  
227 that shall consist of a determination as to good moral character  
228 and verification that the prospective licensee is not guilty of or  
229 in violation of any statutory ground for denial of licensure as



230 set forth in Section 73-15-29 or guilty of any offense specified  
231 in Section 73-15-33. To assist the board in conducting its  
232 licensure investigation, all applicants shall undergo a  
233 fingerprint-based criminal history records check of the  
234 Mississippi central criminal database and the Federal Bureau of  
235 Investigation criminal history database. Each applicant shall  
236 submit a full set of his or her fingerprints in a form and manner  
237 prescribed by the board, which shall be forwarded to the  
238 Mississippi Department of Public Safety (department) and the  
239 Federal Bureau of Investigation Identification Division for this  
240 purpose.

241 Any and all state or national criminal history records  
242 information obtained by the board that is not already a matter of  
243 public record shall be deemed nonpublic and confidential  
244 information restricted to the exclusive use of the board, its  
245 members, officers, investigators, agents and attorneys in  
246 evaluating the applicant's eligibility or disqualification for  
247 licensure, and shall be exempt from the Mississippi Public Records  
248 Act of 1983. Except when introduced into evidence in a hearing  
249 before the board to determine licensure, no such information or  
250 records related thereto shall, except with the written consent of  
251 the applicant or by order of a court of competent jurisdiction, be  
252 released or otherwise disclosed by the board to any other person  
253 or agency.



254           The board shall provide to the department the fingerprints of  
255 the applicant, any additional information that may be required by  
256 the department, and a form signed by the applicant consenting to  
257 the check of the criminal records and to the use of the  
258 fingerprints and other identifying information required by the  
259 state or national repositories.

260           The board shall charge and collect from the applicant, in  
261 addition to all other applicable fees and costs, such amount as  
262 may be incurred by the board in requesting and obtaining state and  
263 national criminal history records information on the applicant.

264           The board may, in its discretion, refuse to accept the  
265 application of any person who has been convicted of a criminal  
266 offense under any provision of Title 97 of the Mississippi Code of  
267 1972, as now or hereafter amended, or any provision of this  
268 article.

269           (2) **Licensure by examination.** (a) Upon the board being  
270 satisfied that an applicant for a license as a registered nurse  
271 has met the qualifications set forth in subsection (1) of this  
272 section, the board shall proceed to examine such applicant in such  
273 subjects as the board shall, in its discretion, determine. The  
274 subjects in which applicants shall be examined shall be in  
275 conformity with curricula in schools of nursing approved by the  
276 Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning, or one  
277 approved by a legal accrediting agency of another state, territory



278 or possession of the United States, the District of Columbia, or a  
279 foreign country which is satisfactory to the board.

280 (b) The applicant shall be required to pass the written  
281 examination as selected by the board.

282 (c) Upon successful completion of such examination, the  
283 board shall issue to the applicant a license to practice as a  
284 registered nurse.

285 (d) The board may use any part or all of the state  
286 board test pool examination for registered nurse licensure, its  
287 successor examination, or any other nationally standardized  
288 examination identified by the board in its rules. The passing  
289 score shall be established by the board in its rules.

290 (3) **Licensure by endorsement.** The board may issue a license  
291 to practice nursing as a registered nurse without examination to  
292 an applicant who has been duly licensed as a registered nurse  
293 under the laws of another state, territory or possession of the  
294 United States, the District of Columbia, or a foreign country if,  
295 in the opinion of the board, the applicant meets the  
296 qualifications required of licensed registered nurses in this  
297 state and has previously achieved the passing score or scores on  
298 the licensing examination required by this state, at the time of  
299 his or her graduation. The issuance of a license by endorsement  
300 to a military-trained applicant, military spouse or person who  
301 establishes residence in this state shall be subject to the  
302 provisions of Section 73-50-1 or 73-50-2, as applicable.



303           (4) **Requirements for rewriting the examination.** The board  
304 shall establish in its rules the requirements for rewriting the  
305 examination for those persons failing the examination on the first  
306 writing or subsequent rewriting.

307           (5) **Fee.** The applicant applying for a license by  
308 examination or by endorsement to practice as a registered nurse  
309 shall pay a fee not to exceed One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) to the  
310 board.

311           (6) **Temporary permit.** (a) The board may issue a temporary  
312 permit to practice nursing to a graduate of an approved school of  
313 nursing pending the results of the examination in Mississippi, and  
314 to a qualified applicant from another state, territory or  
315 possession of the United States, or District of Columbia, or  
316 pending licensure procedures as provided for elsewhere in this  
317 article. The fee shall not exceed Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00).

318           (b) The board may issue a temporary permit for a period  
319 of ninety (90) days to a registered nurse who is currently  
320 licensed in another state, territory or possession of the United  
321 States or the District of Columbia and who is an applicant for  
322 licensure by endorsement. Such permit is not renewable except by  
323 board action. The issuance of a temporary permit to a  
324 military-trained applicant, military spouse or person who  
325 establishes residence in this state shall be subject to the  
326 provisions of Section 73-50-1 or 73-50-2, as applicable.



327 (c) The board may issue a temporary permit to a  
328 graduate of an approved school of nursing pending the results of  
329 the first licensing examination scheduled after application. Such  
330 permit is not renewable except by board action.

331 (d) The board may issue a temporary permit for a period  
332 of thirty (30) days to any registered nurse during the time  
333 enrolled in a nursing reorientation program. This time period may  
334 be extended by board action. The fee shall not exceed Twenty-five  
335 Dollars (\$25.00).

336 (e) The board may adopt such regulations as are  
337 necessary to limit the practice of persons to whom temporary  
338 permits are issued.

339 (7) **Temporary license.** The board may issue a temporary  
340 license to practice nursing at a youth camp licensed by the State  
341 Board of Health to nonresident registered nurses and retired  
342 resident registered nurses under the provisions of Section  
343 75-74-8.

344 (8) **Title and abbreviation.** Any person who holds a license  
345 or holds the privilege to practice as a registered nurse in this  
346 state shall have the right to use the title "registered nurse" and  
347 the abbreviation "R.N." No other person shall assume such title  
348 or use such abbreviation, or any words, letters, signs or devices  
349 to indicate that the person using the same is a registered nurse.

350 (9) **Registered nurses licensed under a previous law.** Any  
351 person holding a license to practice nursing as a registered nurse



352 issued by this board which is valid on July 1, 1981, shall  
353 thereafter be deemed to be licensed as a registered nurse under  
354 the provisions of this article upon payment of the fee provided in  
355 Section 73-15-27.

356 (10) Each application or filing made under this section  
357 shall include the social security number(s) of the applicant in  
358 accordance with Section 93-11-64.

359 **SECTION 58.** Section 73-15-21, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
360 brought forward as follows:

361 73-15-21. (1) **Licensed practical nurse applicant**  
362 **qualifications.** Any applicant for a license to practice practical  
363 nursing as a licensed practical nurse shall submit to the board:

364 (a) An attested written application on a Board of  
365 Nursing form;

366 (b) A diploma from an approved high school or the  
367 equivalent thereof, as determined by the appropriate educational  
368 agency;

369 (c) Written official evidence of completion of a  
370 practical nursing program approved by the State Department of  
371 Education through its Division of Vocational Education, or one  
372 approved by a legal accrediting agency of another state, territory  
373 or possession of the United States, the District of Columbia, or a  
374 foreign country which is satisfactory to this board;

375 (d) Evidence of competence in English related to  
376 nursing, provided the first language is not English;





377 (e) Any other official records required by the board.

378 In addition to the requirements specified in paragraphs (a)  
379 through (e) of this subsection, in order to qualify for a license  
380 to practice practical nursing as a licensed practical nurse, an  
381 applicant must have successfully been cleared for licensure  
382 through an investigation that shall consist of a determination as  
383 to good moral character and verification that the prospective  
384 licensee is not guilty of or in violation of any statutory ground  
385 for denial of licensure as set forth in Section 73-15-29 or guilty  
386 of any offense specified in Section 73-15-33. To assist the board  
387 in conducting its licensure investigation, all applicants shall  
388 undergo a fingerprint-based criminal history records check of the  
389 Mississippi central criminal database and the Federal Bureau of  
390 Investigation criminal history database. Each applicant shall  
391 submit a full set of his or her fingerprints in a form and manner  
392 prescribed by the board, which shall be forwarded to the  
393 Mississippi Department of Public Safety (department) and the  
394 Federal Bureau of Investigation Identification Division for this  
395 purpose.

396 Any and all state or national criminal history records  
397 information obtained by the board that is not already a matter of  
398 public record shall be deemed nonpublic and confidential  
399 information restricted to the exclusive use of the board, its  
400 members, officers, investigators, agents and attorneys in  
401 evaluating the applicant's eligibility or disqualification for



402 licensure, and shall be exempt from the Mississippi Public Records  
403 Act of 1983. Except when introduced into evidence in a hearing  
404 before the board to determine licensure, no such information or  
405 records related thereto shall, except with the written consent of  
406 the applicant or by order of a court of competent jurisdiction, be  
407 released or otherwise disclosed by the board to any other person  
408 or agency.

409 The board shall provide to the department the fingerprints of  
410 the applicant, any additional information that may be required by  
411 the department, and a form signed by the applicant consenting to  
412 the check of the criminal records and to the use of the  
413 fingerprints and other identifying information required by the  
414 state or national repositories.

415 The board shall charge and collect from the applicant, in  
416 addition to all other applicable fees and costs, such amount as  
417 may be incurred by the board in requesting and obtaining state and  
418 national criminal history records information on the applicant.

419 The board may, in its discretion, refuse to accept the  
420 application of any person who has been convicted of a criminal  
421 offense under any provision of Title 97 of the Mississippi Code of  
422 1972, as now or hereafter amended, or any provision of this  
423 article.

424 (2) **Licensure by examination.** (a) Upon the board being  
425 satisfied that an applicant for a license as a practical nurse has  
426 met the qualifications set forth in subsection (1) of this



427 section, the board shall proceed to examine such applicant in such  
428 subjects as the board shall, in its discretion, determine. The  
429 subjects in which applicants shall be examined shall be in  
430 conformity with curricula in schools of practical nursing approved  
431 by the State Department of Education.

432 (b) The applicant shall be required to pass the written  
433 examination selected by the board.

434 (c) Upon successful completion of such examination, the  
435 board shall issue to the applicant a license to practice as a  
436 licensed practical nurse.

437 (d) The board may use any part or all of the state  
438 board test pool examination for practical nurse licensure, its  
439 successor examination, or any other nationally standardized  
440 examination identified by the board in its rules. The passing  
441 score shall be established by the board in its rules.

442 (3) **Licensure by endorsement.** The board may issue a license  
443 to practice practical nursing as a licensed practical nurse  
444 without examination to an applicant who has been duly licensed as  
445 a licensed practical nurse under the laws of another state,  
446 territory or possession of the United States, the District of  
447 Columbia, or a foreign country if, in the opinion of the board,  
448 the applicant meets the qualifications required of licensed  
449 practical nurses in this state and has previously achieved the  
450 passing score or scores on the licensing examination required by  
451 this state at the time of his or her graduation. The issuance of



452 a license by endorsement to a military-trained applicant, military  
453 spouse or person who establishes residence in this state shall be  
454 subject to the provisions of Section 73-50-1 or 73-50-2, as  
455 applicable.

456 (4) **Licensure by equivalent amount of theory and clinical**  
457 **experience.** In the discretion of the board, former students of a  
458 state-accredited school preparing students to become registered  
459 nurses may be granted permission to take the examination for  
460 licensure to practice as a licensed practical nurse, provided the  
461 applicant's record or transcript indicates the former student  
462 completed an equivalent amount of theory and clinical experiences  
463 as required of a graduate of a practical nursing program, and  
464 provided the school attended was, at the time of the student's  
465 attendance, an accredited school of nursing.

466 (5) **Requirements for rewriting the examination.** The board  
467 shall establish in its rules the requirements for rewriting the  
468 examination for those persons failing the examination on the first  
469 writing or subsequent writing.

470 (6) **Fee.** The applicant applying for a license by  
471 examination or by endorsement to practice as a licensed practical  
472 nurse shall pay a fee not to exceed Sixty Dollars (\$60.00) to the  
473 board.

474 (7) **Temporary permit.** (a) The board may issue a temporary  
475 permit to practice practical nursing to a graduate of an approved  
476 school of practical nursing pending the results of the examination



477 in Mississippi, and to a qualified applicant from another state,  
478 territory or possession of the United States, or the District of  
479 Columbia, pending licensing procedures as provided for elsewhere  
480 in this article. The fee shall not exceed Twenty-five Dollars  
481 (\$25.00).

482 (b) The board may issue a temporary permit for a period  
483 of ninety (90) days to a licensed practical nurse who is currently  
484 licensed in another state, territory or possession of the United  
485 States or the District of Columbia and who is an applicant for  
486 licensure by endorsement. Such permit is not renewable except by  
487 board action. The issuance of a temporary permit to a  
488 military-trained applicant, military spouse or person who  
489 establishes residence in this state shall be subject to the  
490 provisions of Section 73-50-1 or 73-50-2, as applicable.

491 (c) The board may issue a temporary permit to a  
492 graduate of an approved practical nursing education program or an  
493 equivalent program satisfactory to the board pending the results  
494 of the first licensing examination scheduled after application.  
495 Such permit is not renewable except by board action.

496 (d) The board may issue a temporary permit for a period  
497 of thirty (30) days to any licensed practical nurse during the  
498 time enrolled in a nursing reorientation program. This time  
499 period may be extended by board action. The fee shall not exceed  
500 Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00).



501           (e) The board may adopt such regulations as are  
502 necessary to limit the practice of persons to whom temporary  
503 permits are issued.

504           (8) **Title and abbreviation.** Any person who holds a license  
505 or holds the privilege to practice as a licensed practical nurse  
506 in this state shall have the right to use the title "licensed  
507 practical nurse" and the abbreviation "L.P.N." No other person  
508 shall assume such title or use such abbreviation, or any words,  
509 letters, signs or devices to indicate that a person using the same  
510 is a licensed practical nurse.

511           (9) **Licensed practical nurses licensed under a previous law.**  
512 Any person holding a license to practice nursing as a practical  
513 nurse issued by this board which is valid on July 1, 1981, shall  
514 thereafter be deemed to be licensed as a practical nurse under the  
515 provisions of this article upon payment of the fee prescribed in  
516 Section 73-15-27.

517           (10) Each application or filing made under this section  
518 shall include the social security number(s) of the applicant in  
519 accordance with Section 93-11-64."

