

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS24913

Current law permits nurses who wish to retire from the active practice of nursing for any length of time to place their license on emeritus status, provided they renew the license every two years. Requiring a nurse to pay a renewal fee and submit renewal paperwork on an inactive license is unnecessary and inconsistent with recent changes in the Board of Nursing's licensing software. This legislation eliminates the necessity for a nurse to renew a license on emeritus status.

FISCAL NOTE

Based upon empirical data on nursing licensees in emeritus status, it is estimated that this legislation will have a yearly negative impact of less than \$5,000.00 on the Board of Nursing's dedicated fund. There will be no fiscal impact on the state General Fund.

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