95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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SB2511

Introduced 2/15/2008, by Sen. Dan Kotowski

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

225 ILCS 65/65-5

was 225 ILCS 65/15-10

Amends the Nurse Practice Act. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning qualifications for licensure as an advanced practice nurse.

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AN ACT concerning regulation.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 3 represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Nurse Practice Act is amended by changing
Section 65-5 as follows:

6 (225 ILCS 65/65-5) (was 225 ILCS 65/15-10)

7 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2018)

8 Sec. 65-5. Qualifications for APN licensure.

9 (a) Each applicant who successfully meets <u>the</u> the 10 requirements of this Section shall be entitled to licensure as 11 an advanced practice nurse.

(b) An applicant for licensure to practice as an advancedpractice nurse must do each of the following:

14 (1) Submit a completed application and any fees as15 established by the Department.

16 (2) Hold a current license to practice as a registered17 professional nurse under this Act.

(3) Have successfully completed requirements to
practice as, and holds a current, national certification
as, a nurse midwife, clinical nurse specialist, nurse
practitioner, or certified registered nurse anesthetist
from the appropriate national certifying body as
determined by rule of the Department.

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1 (4) Have obtained a graduate degree appropriate for 2 national certification in a clinical advanced practice 3 nursing specialty or a graduate degree or post-master's 4 certificate from a graduate level program in a clinical 5 advanced practice nursing specialty.

6 (5) Have not violated the provisions of this Act 7 concerning the grounds for disciplinary action. The 8 Department may take into consideration any felony 9 conviction of the applicant, but such a conviction may not 10 operate as an absolute bar to licensure.

11 (6) Submit to the criminal history records check
12 required under Section 50-35 of this Act.

13 (c) Those applicants seeking licensure in more than one advanced practice nursing specialty need not possess multiple 14 15 graduate degrees. Applicants may be eligible for licenses for 16 multiple advanced practice nurse licensure specialties, 17 provided that the applicant (i) has met the requirements for at least one advanced practice nursing specialty under paragraphs 18 (3) and (5) of subsection (a) of this Section, (ii) possesses 19 20 an additional graduate education that results in a certificate 21 for another clinical advanced practice nurse specialty and that 22 meets the requirements for the national certification from the 23 appropriate nursing specialty, and (iii) holds a current 24 national certification from the appropriate national 25 certifying body for that additional advanced practice nursing 26 specialty.

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(d) Any person who holds a valid license as an advanced practice nurse issued under this Act as this Act existed before the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 95th General Assembly shall be subject only to the advanced practice nurse license renewal requirements of this Act as this Act exists on and after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 95th General Assembly upon the expiration of that license.

8 (Source: P.A. 94-348, eff. 7-28-05; 95-639, eff. 10-5-07.)

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