

1 AN ACT concerning professional regulation.

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

4 Section 5. The Nurse Practice Act is amended by changing  
5 Section 50-15 as follows:

6 (225 ILCS 65/50-15) (was 225 ILCS 65/5-15)

7 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2018)

8 Sec. 50-15. Policy; application of Act.

9 (a) For the protection of life and the promotion of health,  
10 and the prevention of illness and communicable diseases, any  
11 person practicing or offering to practice advanced,  
12 professional, or practical nursing in Illinois shall submit  
13 evidence that he or she is qualified to practice, and shall be  
14 licensed as provided under this Act. No person shall practice  
15 or offer to practice advanced, professional, or practical  
16 nursing in Illinois or use any title, sign, card or device to  
17 indicate that such a person is practicing professional or  
18 practical nursing unless such person has been licensed under  
19 the provisions of this Act.

20 (b) This Act does not prohibit the following:

21 (1) The practice of nursing in Federal employment in  
22 the discharge of the employee's duties by a person who is  
23 employed by the United States government or any bureau,

1 division or agency thereof and is a legally qualified and  
2 licensed nurse of another state or territory and not in  
3 conflict with Sections 50-50, 55-10, 60-10, and 70-5 of  
4 this Act.

5 (2) Nursing that is included in the program of study by  
6 students enrolled in programs of nursing or in current  
7 nurse practice update courses approved by the Department.

8 (3) The furnishing of nursing assistance in an  
9 emergency.

10 (4) The practice of nursing by a nurse who holds an  
11 active license in another state when providing services to  
12 patients in Illinois during a bonafide emergency or in  
13 immediate preparation for or during interstate transit.

14 (5) The incidental care of the sick by members of the  
15 family, domestic servants or housekeepers, or care of the  
16 sick where treatment is by prayer or spiritual means.

17 (6) Persons from being employed as unlicensed  
18 assistive personnel in private homes, long term care  
19 facilities, nurseries, hospitals or other institutions.

20 (7) The practice of practical nursing by one who is a  
21 licensed practical nurse under the laws of another U.S.  
22 jurisdiction and has applied in writing to the Department,  
23 in form and substance satisfactory to the Department, for a  
24 license as a licensed practical nurse and who is qualified  
25 to receive such license under this Act, until (i) the  
26 expiration of 6 months after the filing of such written

1 application, (ii) the withdrawal of such application, or  
2 (iii) the denial of such application by the Department.

3 (8) The practice of advanced practice nursing by one  
4 who is an advanced practice nurse under the laws of another  
5 state, territory of the United States, or country and has  
6 applied in writing to the Department, in form and substance  
7 satisfactory to the Department, for a license as an  
8 advanced practice nurse and who is qualified to receive  
9 such license under this Act, until (i) the expiration of 6  
10 months after the filing of such written application, (ii)  
11 the withdrawal of such application, or (iii) the denial of  
12 such application by the Department.

13 (9) The practice of professional nursing by one who is  
14 a registered professional nurse under the laws of another  
15 state, territory of the United States or country and has  
16 applied in writing to the Department, in form and substance  
17 satisfactory to the Department, for a license as a  
18 registered professional nurse and who is qualified to  
19 receive such license under Section 55-10, until (1) the  
20 expiration of 6 months after the filing of such written  
21 application, (2) the withdrawal of such application, or (3)  
22 the denial of such application by the Department.

23 (10) The practice of professional nursing that is  
24 included in a program of study by one who is a registered  
25 professional nurse under the laws of another state or  
26 territory of the United States or foreign country,

1 territory or province and who is enrolled in a graduate  
2 nursing education program or a program for the completion  
3 of a baccalaureate nursing degree in this State, which  
4 includes clinical supervision by faculty as determined by  
5 the educational institution offering the program and the  
6 health care organization where the practice of nursing  
7 occurs.

8 (11) Any person licensed in this State under any other  
9 Act from engaging in the practice for which she or he is  
10 licensed.

11 (12) Delegation to authorized direct care staff  
12 trained under Section 15.4 of the Mental Health and  
13 Developmental Disabilities Administrative Act consistent  
14 with the policies of the Department.

15 (13) County correctional personnel from delivering  
16 prepackaged medication for self-administration to an  
17 individual detainee in a correctional facility.

18 Nothing in this Act shall be construed to limit the  
19 delegation of tasks or duties by a physician, dentist, or  
20 podiatrist to a licensed practical nurse, a registered  
21 professional nurse, or other persons.

22 (Source: P.A. 95-639, eff. 10-5-07; 95-876, eff. 8-21-08.)

23 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
24 becoming law.