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Representative Charles E. Kleckley
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Dear Representative Kleckley,

Pursuant to R.S.49.968 (D)(1)(b), the Louisiana State Board of Nursing (LSBN) hereby announces it plan to proceed with rule-making by finalizing the March 20, 2015, Notice of Intent that was promulgated on pages 565-566 of the *Louisiana Register*.

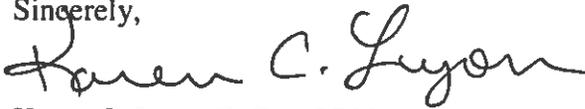
This rule-making is informed by authority of the LSBN granted in R.S. 37.918 to develop, adopt and revise rules and regulations in the Louisiana Nurse Practice Act. LSBN proposes to amend Chapter 33 in accordance with R.S. 97.911 et. seq., with particular emphasis on 3327.A.9. The proposed Rule will allow the Louisiana State Board of Nursing the ability to accept transcripts that are provided by third party vendors. Universities across the country utilize the electronic student records exchange system for verifying education transcripts. Using third party contractors allows universities to forego paper systems and frees up their resources for other academic activities related to students' enrollment.

The LSBN has received no comments and therefore has not conducted a hearing pursuant to R.S.49:49:953(A)(2).

Subject to legislative oversight by either the House or Senate Health and Welfare Committee, the board intends to submit a Rule to the Office of the State Register for publication.

Please contact Dr. Karen Lyon at 225-755-7576 if the board may be of any assistance to you concerning this rule.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Karen C. Lyon". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of each name being capitalized and prominent.

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