

# Notice of Intent

## Department of Health and Hospitals Board of Nursing

### Fees for Registration and Licensure (LAC 46:XLVII§3341)

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act, R.S. 49:950 et seq., and through the authority granted in R.S. 37:918, that the Louisiana State Board of Nursing (LSBN) proposes to amend Chapter 33 of its rules particular, by amending 3341 A.1-B.1. The proposed rule for fee increases will be utilized for operating funds which will further the mission of the Louisiana State Board of Nursing. Top funding expenditures will address key operation issues and process improvements including: Disaster preparedness, paperless systems, workforce planning and research through the Louisiana Center for Nursing, personnel costs and related benefits, caseload complexity in investigative and legal services, monitoring and recovery services through Recovery Nurse Program (RNP) and the LSBN's adoption and implementation of the National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN) evidence-based Regulatory Management System. With the current overall growth rate of three percent annually in the number of nurses served by the LSBN along with an increase in the number of criminally and drug related complaints, it is projected that LSBN's annual operational expenses will exceed the revenues currently generated. The fundamental purpose of the LSBN is to protect the public. The increased revenue generated from the modest increase in fees will impact the LSBN's ability to better serve the public.

#### Title 46

### PROFESSIONAL AND OCCUPATION STANDARDS Part XLVII. Nurses: Practical Nurses and Registered Nurses Subpart 2. Registered Nurses Chapter 33. General §3341. Fees for Registration and Licensure

A. Notwithstanding any provisions of this Chapter, the board shall collect in advance fees for licensure and administrative services as follows.

#### 1. Licensure

a-b ...

c. Enrollment Application \$ 50

d. RN Renewal Fee \$ 100

e. RN Late Fee (plus Renewal Fee) \$ 50

f. Retired License Fee (one-time fee) \$ 100

g-h ...

i. RN/APRN Endorsement Temporary Permit Fee \$100

j ...

k. APRN Renewal Fee \$ 100

l. APRN Late Fee (plus Renewal Fee) \$ 50

m-n ...

o. APRN Prescriptive Authority Site Change \$50

p. Reinstatement of Prescriptive Authority Privileges \$ 100

q ...

2 a-e ...

#### B. Fees for Returned Items

1. The board shall collect a \$25 fee for returned items for payment of any of the fees discussed in LAC 46:XLVII.3341.A.

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C. ...

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 37:918 and R.S. 37:927.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Health and Human Resources, LR 8:417 (August 1982), amended by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Board of Nursing, LR 14:533 (August 1988), LR 22:981 (October 1996), repromulgated LR 24:1293 (July 1998), amended LR 26:84 (January 2000), LR 30:2829 (December 2004), LR:31:2027 (August 2005), LR 36:1246 (June 2010), LR 37:3027 (October 2011).

### **Family Impact Statement**

1. What effect will this Rule have on the stability of the family? The proposed Rule should have no effect on the stability of the family.
2. What effect will this Rule have on the authority and rights of persons regarding the education and supervision of their children? The proposed Rule should have no effect on the authority and rights of persons regarding the education and supervision of their children.
3. What effect will this Rule have on the functioning of the family? The proposed Rule should have no effect on the functioning of the family.
4. What effect will this Rule have on family earnings and family budget? The proposed Rule should have no effect on family earnings and family budget.
5. What effect will this Rule have on the behavior and personal responsibility of children? The proposed Rule should have no effect on the behavior and personal responsibility of children.
6. Is the family or local government able to perform the function as contained in this proposed Rule? No, family or local government may not perform any of the functions outlined in the proposed Rule.

### **Poverty Impact Statement**

In compliance with Act 854 of the 2012 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature, it is anticipated that this proposed Rule will have no impact on child, individual, or family poverty in relation to individual or community asset development as described in R.S. 49:973

### **Provider Impact Statement**

The proposed Rule should not have any known or foreseeable impact on providers as defined by HCR 170 of 2014 Regular Legislative Session. In particular, there should be no known foreseeable effect on:

1. Is there an effect on the staffing level requirements or qualifications required to provide the same level of service? The will be no effect on the staffing level requirements or qualifications required to provide the same level of service.
2. Is there a total direct and indirect effect on the cost to

the providers to provide the same level of service? There is not a direct or indirect effect on the cost to the providers to provide the same level of service.

3. What is the overall effect on the ability of the provider to provide the same level of service? There is no effect on the ability of the providers to provide the same level of service.

### **Public Comments**

Interested persons may submit written comments on the proposed Rule to Karen C. Lyon, 17373 Perkins Road, Baton Rouge, LA 70810, or by facsimile to (225) 755-7585. All comments must be submitted by 5 p.m. on or before July 10, 2014.

### **Public Hearings**

A public hearing has been scheduled for July 29, 2014 at 10 a.m. at 17373 Perkins Road, Baton Rouge, LA 70810. At that time, all interested persons will be afforded an opportunity to submit data, views and/or arguments either orally or in writing.

Karen C. Lyon  
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