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Dear Senator Alario,

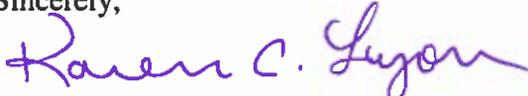
Pursuant to R.S.49.968 (D)(1)(b), the Louisiana State Board of Nursing (LSBN) hereby announces it plan to proceed with rule-making of section §3324 by finalizing the February 20, 2016, Notice of Intent that was promulgated on pages 334-335 of the *Louisiana Register*.

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. The addition to Title 46, Professional and Occupational Standards, Part XLVII Chapter 33. General Subchapter C. Registration and Registered Nurse Licensure will be Section 3324. The proposed rule requires approval by the board prior to student enrollment in undergraduate clinical nursing courses. The proposed rule outlines required expectations and consequences for nursing students in the enrollment and/or progression in clinical nursing courses. The proposed rule will provide more clarity and accountability of the student. It will provide guidelines that will support the actions taken by the Board. These procedures are currently implemented under Title 46, Professional and Occupational Standards, Part XLVII Chapter 35. Nursing Education Programs, Section §3517 Student Selection and Guidance. The proposed rule will define enrollment requirements and consequences, which include references to other sections of Title 46, Professional and Occupational Standards.

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,



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