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IN THE SENATE

BY SENATOR MCNEES

SENATE BILL NO. 202

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

FIRST LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

A BILL

For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the regulation of the practice of nursing; amending Sec. 16, Art. III, Ch. 90, SLA 1957; repealing and re-enacting Sec. 13, Art. III, Ch. 90, SLA 1957; amending Ch. 90, SLA 1957 by adding a new section 19a ; and providing for an effective date."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

Section 1. Sec. 13, Art. III, Ch. 90, SLA 1957 is repealed and re-enacted to read as follows:

Section 13. FEES. a. License Fees:

(1) Professional nursing fees. Any person applying for a license to practice professional nursing in Alaska shall pay a fee of \$30.00 at the time the completed application form is sent to the Board. The fee for re-examination shall be \$30.00.

(2) Practical nursing fees. Any person applying for a license to practice practical nursing in Alaska shall pay a fee of \$25.00 at the time the completed application form is sent to the Board. The fee for re-examination shall be \$25.00.

b. Additional Fees: Duplicate Licenses: Documents: In addition to all other fees, there shall be charged:

(1) For the issuance of a duplicate license, a fee

1 of \$3.00.

2 (2) For certified copies of any official document
3 on file with the Board, a fee of \$5.00 for each document.

4 Sec. 2. Sec. 16, Art. III, Ch. 90, SLA 1957 is amended to
5 read as follows:

6 Section 16. RENEWAL OF LICENSE. The license of every
7 practicing professional and practical nurse shall be renewed
8 annually, and shall be applied for sixty days before the ex-
9 piration date of the current license; provided, that if the
10 renewal fee and the application are not received by the Board
11 for a period of sixty days after they are due, said license
12 may be renewed only after the payment of an additional rein-
13 statement fee of \$5.00 [TWO DOLLARS (\$2.00)] and a satis-
14 factory explanation. Upon receipt of an application pre-
15 scribed by the Board and the payment of a renewal fee of
16 \$5.00 [THREE DOLLARS (\$3.00)], the Board shall verify the
17 accuracy of the application and shall issue to the applicant
18 a certificate of renewal. Such renewal shall render the
19 holder thereof a legal practitioner for the period stated on
20 the renewal form.

21 Any person practicing nursing during the time her
22 license has lapsed shall be considered an illegal practitioner
23 and shall be subject to the penalties provided for violations
24 of this Act.

25 Any licensee who is not practicing need not obtain a
26 renewal of her license until such time as she desires to en-
27 gage in the practice of nursing, when she shall remit the
28 renewal fee for the current year and the prescribed applica-
29 tion form. The Board, at its discretion, may issue her a

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renewal certificate with or without examination.

[EVERY LICENSEE WHOSE RENEWAL FEE FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 1957 WAS PAID PRIOR TO THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ACT SHALL PAY A PRORATED FEE FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 1958 THROUGH JUNE 30, 1958. THE AMOUNT OF SUCH FEE AND THE DATE IT SHALL BE DUE SHALL BE FIXED BY THE BOARD.]

Sec. 3. Ch. 90, SLA 1957 is amended by adding a new section to read as follows:

Section 19a. INITIAL AND ANNUAL ACCREDITATION FEES. Any person, institution, or agency applying for initial accreditation to conduct a nursing education program to prepare professional or practical nurses shall pay a fee of \$100.00 at the time of application.

Following accreditation and annually thereafter during accreditation status, all persons, institutions, or agencies conducting such programs shall pay a fee of \$25.00.

Sec. 4. This Act takes effect on the day after its passage and approval or on the day it becomes law without such approval.