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1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 3688

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend Senate Bill 3688 by replacing
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The Medical School Curriculum Act is amended
5 by adding Section 3 as follows:

6 (110 ILCS 55/3 new)

7 Sec. 3. Menopause education required. In addition to the
8 requirements imposed by this Act, each and every medical
9 school established, maintained, and operated by the State of
10 Illinois shall include in the curriculum the study of
11 perimenopause and menopause recognition and management. Such
12 study may be by specific courses in perimenopause and
13 menopause or may be incorporated in existing subjects taught
14 in the school.

15 Section 10. The Nurse Practice Act is amended by changing

1 Sections 55-5 and 60-5 as follows:

2 (225 ILCS 65/55-5)

3 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2028)

4 Sec. 55-5. LPN education program requirements.

5 (a) All Illinois practical nurse education programs must
6 be reviewed by the Board and approved by the Department before
7 the successful completion of such a program may be applied
8 toward meeting the requirements for practical nurse licensure
9 under this Act. Any program changing the level of educational
10 preparation or the relationship with or to the parent
11 institution or establishing an extension of an existing
12 program must request a review by the Board and approval by the
13 Department. The Board shall review and make a recommendation
14 for the approval or disapproval of a program by the Department
15 based on the following criteria:

16 (1) a feasibility study that describes the need for
17 the program and the facilities used, the potential of the
18 program to recruit faculty and students, financial support
19 for the program, and other criteria, as established by
20 rule;

21 (2) program curriculum, including the study of
22 perimenopause and menopause recognition and management,
23 that meets all State requirements;

24 (3) the administration of the program by a Nurse
25 Administrator and the involvement of a Nurse Administrator

1 in the development of the program; and

2 (4) the occurrence of a site visit prior to approval.

3 (b) In order to obtain initial Department approval and to
4 maintain Department approval, a practical nursing program must
5 meet all of the following requirements:

6 (1) The program must continually be administered by a
7 Nurse Administrator.

8 (2) The institution responsible for conducting the
9 program and the Nurse Administrator must ensure that
10 individual faculty members are academically and
11 professionally competent.

12 (3) The program curriculum must contain all applicable
13 requirements established by rule, including both theory
14 and clinical components.

15 (4) The passage rates of the program's graduating
16 classes on the State-approved licensure exam must be
17 deemed satisfactory by the Department.

18 (c) Program site visits to an institution conducting or
19 hosting a practical nursing program may be made at the
20 discretion of the Nursing Coordinator or upon recommendation
21 of the Board.

22 (d) Any institution conducting a practical nursing program
23 that wishes to discontinue the program must do each of the
24 following:

25 (1) Notify the Department, in writing, of its intent
26 to discontinue the program.

1 (2) Continue to meet the requirements of this Act and
2 the rules adopted thereunder until the official date of
3 termination of the program.

4 (3) Notify the Department of the date on which the
5 last student shall graduate from the program and the
6 program shall terminate.

7 (4) Assist remaining students in the continuation of
8 their education in the event of program termination prior
9 to the graduation of the program's final student.

10 (5) Upon the closure of the program, notify the
11 Department, in writing, of the location of student and
12 graduate records storage.

13 (Source: P.A. 95-639, eff. 10-5-07.)

14 (225 ILCS 65/60-5)

15 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2028)

16 Sec. 60-5. RN education program requirements; out-of-State
17 programs.

18 (a) All registered professional nurse education programs
19 must be reviewed by the Board and approved by the Department
20 before the successful completion of such a program may be
21 applied toward meeting the requirements for registered
22 professional nurse licensure under this Act. Any program
23 changing the level of educational preparation or the
24 relationship with or to the parent institution or establishing
25 an extension of an existing program must request a review by

1 the Board and approval by the Department. The Board shall
2 review and make a recommendation for the approval or
3 disapproval of a program by the Department based on the
4 following criteria:

5 (1) a feasibility study that describes the need for
6 the program and the facilities used, the potential of the
7 program to recruit faculty and students, financial support
8 for the program, and other criteria, as established by
9 rule;

10 (2) program curriculum, including the study of
11 perimenopause and menopause recognition and management,
12 that meets all State requirements;

13 (2.5) measurement of program effectiveness based on a
14 passage rate of all graduates over the 3 most recent
15 calendar years without reference to first-time test
16 takers;

17 (3) the administration of the program by a Nurse
18 Administrator and the involvement of a Nurse Administrator
19 in the development of the program;

20 (4) the occurrence of a site visit prior to approval;
21 and

22 (5) beginning December 31, 2022, obtaining and
23 maintaining programmatic accreditation by a national
24 accrediting body for nursing education recognized by the
25 United States Department of Education and approved by the
26 Department.

1 The Department and Board of Nursing shall be notified
2 within 30 days if the program loses its accreditation. The
3 Department may adopt rules regarding a warning process and
4 reaccreditation.

5 (b) In order to obtain initial Department approval and to
6 maintain Department approval, a registered professional
7 nursing program must meet all of the following requirements:

8 (1) The institution responsible for conducting the
9 program and the Nurse Administrator must ensure that
10 individual faculty members are academically and
11 professionally competent.

12 (2) The program curriculum must contain all applicable
13 requirements established by rule, including both theory
14 and clinical components.

15 (3) The passage rates of the program's graduating
16 classes on the State-approved licensure exam must be
17 deemed satisfactory by the Department.

18 (c) Program site visits to an institution conducting or
19 hosting a professional nursing program may be made at the
20 discretion of the Nursing Coordinator or upon recommendation
21 of the Board. Full routine site visits may be conducted by the
22 Department for periodic evaluation. Such visits shall be used
23 to determine compliance with this Act. Full routine site
24 visits must be announced and may be waived at the discretion of
25 the Department if the program maintains accreditation with an
26 accrediting body recognized by the United States Department of

1 Education and approved by the Department.

2 (d) Any institution conducting a registered professional
3 nursing program that wishes to discontinue the program must do
4 each of the following:

5 (1) Notify the Department, in writing, of its intent
6 to discontinue the program.

7 (2) Continue to meet the requirements of this Act and
8 the rules adopted thereunder until the official date of
9 termination of the program.

10 (3) Notify the Department of the date on which the
11 last student shall graduate from the program and the
12 program shall terminate.

13 (4) Assist remaining students in the continuation of
14 their education in the event of program termination prior
15 to the graduation of the program's final student.

16 (5) Upon the closure of the program, notify the
17 Department, in writing, of the location of student and
18 graduate records' storage.

19 (e) Out-of-State registered professional nursing education
20 programs planning to offer clinical practice experiences in
21 this State must meet the requirements set forth in this
22 Section and must meet the clinical and faculty requirements
23 for institutions outside of this State, as established by
24 rule. The institution responsible for conducting an
25 out-of-State registered professional nursing education program
26 and the administrator of the program shall be responsible for

1 ensuring that the individual faculty and preceptors overseeing
2 the clinical experience are academically and professionally
3 competent.

4 (Source: P.A. 103-533, eff. 1-1-24.)

5 Section 15. The Physician Assistant Practice Act of 1987
6 is amended by changing Section 13 as follows:

7 (225 ILCS 95/13) (from Ch. 111, par. 4613)

8 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2028)

9 Sec. 13. Department powers and duties.

10 (a) Subject to the provisions of this Act, the Department
11 shall:

12 (1) adopt rules setting forth standards to be met by a
13 school or institution offering a course of training for
14 physician assistants prior to approval of such school or
15 institution, including the study of perimenopause and
16 menopause recognition and management;

17 (2) adopt rules setting forth uniform and reasonable
18 standards of instruction to be met prior to approval of
19 such course of institution for physician assistants; and

20 (3) determine the reputability and good standing of
21 such schools or institutions and their course of
22 instruction for physician assistants by reference to
23 compliance with such rules, provided that no school of
24 physician assistants that refuses admittance to applicants

1 solely on account of race, color, sex, or creed shall be
2 considered reputable and in good standing.

3 (b) No rule shall be adopted under this Act which allows a
4 physician assistant to perform any act, task, or function
5 primarily performed in the lawful practice of optometry under
6 the Illinois Optometric Practice Act of 1987.

7 (c) All rules shall be submitted to the Board for review
8 and the Department shall consider any comments provided by the
9 Board.

10 (Source: P.A. 100-453, eff. 8-25-17.)

11 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect January
12 1, 2027."