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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

420 ILCS 40/6

from Ch. 111 1/2, par. 210-6

Amends the Radiation Protection Act of 1990. Provides that the Illinois Emergency Management Agency (instead of the Department of Nuclear Safety) shall establish accreditation standards and procedures in the administration of radiation to human beings. Deletes a provision concerning standards and procedures for accrediting persons to perform a limited scope of diagnostic radiography procedures. Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning radiation protection.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Radiation Protection Act of 1990 is amended
5 by changing Section 6 as follows:

6 (420 ILCS 40/6) (from Ch. 111 1/2, par. 210-6)

7 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2011)

8 Sec. 6. Accreditation of administrators of radiation;
9 Limited scope accreditation; Rules and regulations; Education.

10 (a) The Illinois Emergency Management Agency ~~Department~~
11 shall promulgate such rules and regulations as are necessary to
12 establish accreditation standards and procedures, including a
13 minimum course of education and continuing education
14 requirements in the administration of radiation to human
15 beings, which are appropriate to the classification of
16 accreditation and which are to be met by all physician
17 assistants, advanced practice nurses, nurses, technicians, or
18 other assistants who administer radiation to human beings under
19 the supervision of a person licensed under the Medical Practice
20 Act of 1987. Such rules and regulations may provide for
21 different classes of accreditation based on evidence of
22 national certification, clinical experience or community
23 hardship as conditions of initial and continuing
24 accreditation. The rules and regulations of the Agency
25 ~~Department~~ shall be consistent with national standards in
26 regard to the protection of the health and safety of the
27 general public.

28 (b) The rules and regulations shall also provide that
29 persons who have been accredited by the Agency ~~Department~~, in
30 accordance with the Radiation Protection Act of 1990, without
31 passing an examination, will remain accredited as provided in
32 Section 43 of this Act and that those persons may be

1 accredited, without passing an examination, to use other
2 equipment, procedures, or supervision within the original
3 category of accreditation if the Agency ~~Department~~ receives
4 written assurances from a person licensed under the Medical
5 Practice Act of 1987, that the person accredited has the
6 necessary skill and qualifications for such additional
7 equipment procedures or supervision. ~~The Department shall, in~~
8 ~~accordance with subsection (c) of this Section, provide for the~~
9 ~~accreditation of nurses, technicians, or other assistants,~~
10 ~~unless exempted elsewhere in this Act, to perform a limited~~
11 ~~scope of diagnostic radiography procedures of the chest, the~~
12 ~~extremities, skull and sinuses, or the spine, while under the~~
13 ~~supervision of a person licensed under the Medical Practice Act~~
14 ~~of 1987.~~

15 (c) (Blank). ~~The rules or regulations promulgated by the~~
16 ~~Department pursuant to subsection (a) shall establish~~
17 ~~standards and procedures for accrediting persons to perform a~~
18 ~~limited scope of diagnostic radiography procedures. The rules~~
19 ~~or regulations shall require persons seeking limited scope~~
20 ~~accreditation to register with the Department as a~~
21 ~~"student in training," and declare those procedures in which~~
22 ~~the student will be receiving training. The~~
23 ~~student in training registration shall be valid for a period of~~
24 ~~16 months, during which the time the student may, under the~~
25 ~~supervision of a person licensed under the Medical Practice Act~~
26 ~~of 1987, perform the diagnostic radiography procedures listed~~
27 ~~on the student's registration. The student in training~~
28 ~~registration shall be nonrenewable.~~

29 ~~Upon expiration of the 16 month training period, the~~
30 ~~student shall be prohibited from performing diagnostic~~
31 ~~radiography procedures unless accredited by the Department to~~
32 ~~perform such procedures. In order to be accredited to perform a~~
33 ~~limited scope of diagnostic radiography procedures, an~~
34 ~~individual must pass an examination offered by the Department.~~
35 ~~The examination shall be consistent with national standards in~~
36 ~~regard to protection of public health and safety. The~~

1 ~~examination shall consist of a standardized component covering~~
2 ~~general principles applicable to diagnostic radiography~~
3 ~~procedures and a clinical component specific to the types of~~
4 ~~procedures for which accreditation is being sought. The~~
5 ~~Department may assess a reasonable fee for such examinations to~~
6 ~~cover the costs incurred by the Department in conjunction with~~
7 ~~offering the examinations.~~

8 (d) The Agency ~~Department~~ shall by rule or regulation
9 exempt from accreditation physician assistants, advanced
10 practice nurses, nurses, technicians, or other assistants who
11 administer radiation to human beings under supervision of a
12 person licensed to practice under the Medical Practice Act of
13 1987 when the services are performed on employees of a business
14 at a medical facility owned and operated by the business. Such
15 exemption shall only apply to the equipment, procedures and
16 supervision specific to the medical facility owned and operated
17 by the business.

18 (Source: P.A. 93-149, eff. 7-10-03.)

19 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
20 becoming law.