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SYNOPSIS

Provides that biennial renewal of license or certificate issued by New Jersey Board of Nursing is due on professional's birthday.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.



1 AN ACT concerning the New Jersey Board of Nursing and
2 amending P.L.1972, c.108.

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4 BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
5 of New Jersey:

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7 1. Section 1 of P.L.1972, c.108 (C.45:1-7) is amended to read
8 as follows:

9 1. Notwithstanding any of the provisions of Title 45 of the
10 Revised Statutes or of any other law to the contrary, all professional
11 or occupational licenses or certificates of registration, except such
12 licenses or certificates issued to real estate brokers or salesmen
13 pursuant to chapter 15 of Title 45, which prior to the effective date
14 of **[this act]** P.L.1972, c.108 were issued for periods not exceeding
15 one year and were annually renewable, shall, on and after the
16 effective date of **[this act]** P.L.1972, c.108, be issued for periods of
17 two years and be biennially renewable, except that licenses and
18 business permits issued to electrical contractors and certificates of
19 registration issued to qualified journeymen electricians pursuant to
20 chapter 5A of Title 45 shall be issued for periods of three years and
21 be triennially renewable; provided, however, the boards or
22 commissions in charge of the issuance or renewal of such licenses
23 or certificates, other than the New Jersey Board of Nursing, may, in
24 order to stagger the expiration dates thereof, provide that those first
25 issued or renewed after the effective date of **[this act]** P.L.1972,
26 c.108, shall expire and become void on a date fixed by the
27 respective boards or commissions, not sooner than six months nor
28 later than 29 months, after the date of issue.

29 In the case of licenses and certificates issued by the New Jersey
30 Board of Nursing, any such license or certificate issued or renewed
31 after the effective date of P.L. , c. (pending before the
32 Legislature as this bill) shall expire and become void on the same
33 calendar day as the holder's date of birth in the second calendar
34 year following the date on which the license or certificate was
35 issued. If the holder's date of birth does not correspond to a
36 calendar day of the year in which the license or certificate expires,
37 the license or certificate shall expire on the last day of the holder's
38 birth month in that year.

39 The fees for the respective licenses and certificates of
40 registration issued pursuant to **[this act]** P.L.1972, c.108 for
41 periods of less or greater than one year shall be in amounts
42 proportionately less or greater than the fees established by law.
43 (cf: P.L.2001, c.21, s.1)

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **[thus]** in the above bill is
not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

2. This act shall take effect 30 days after the date of enactment and shall apply only to licenses and certificates issued by the New Jersey Board of Nursing on and after the effective date.

STATEMENT

This bill provides that licenses and certificates issued by the New Jersey Board of Nursing are to expire on the professional's birthday, rather than on one of two fixed dates, as is the practice under current law. If the person's birthday does not correspond with a calendar day in the renewal year, the license or certificate will expire on the last day of the person's birth month in the renewal year. Licenses and certificates issued by the New Jersey Board of Nursing will continue to be valid for two years.

The list of professionals licensed or certified through the New Jersey Board of Nursing includes registered professional nurses, licensed practical nurses, homemaker-home health aides, advanced practice nurses, and forensic nurses-certified sexual assault. The bill will take effect 30 days after the date of enactment and will apply to any license or certificate issued by the Board of Nursing on or after that effective date.