

The provisions relating to the denial, suspension, and revocation of a license shall be applicable to an inactive or lapsed license. When proceedings to suspend or revoke an inactive license have been initiated, the license shall not be reinstated until the proceedings have been completed.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 13. A new section is added to chapter 18.88 RCW to read as follows:

Upon approval by the board and following verification of satisfactory completion of an advanced formal education, the department of licensing shall issue an interim permit authorizing the applicant to practice specialized and advanced nursing practice pending notification of the results of the first certification examination. If the applicant passes the examination, the department shall grant advanced registered nurse practitioner status. If the applicant fails the examination, the interim permit shall expire upon notification and is not renewable. The holder of the interim permit is subject to chapter 18.130 RCW.

Passed the House March 7, 1988.

Passed the Senate March 2, 1988.

Approved by the Governor March 23, 1988, with the exception of certain items which were vetoed.

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Governor's explanation of partial veto is as follows:

"I am returning herewith, without my approval as to sections 6 and 7, Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1404, entitled:

"AN ACT Relating to nursing."

Sections 6 and 7 contain identical language to sections 1 and 2, Engrossed Senate Bill No. 6119. To avoid confusion in the law, I have vetoed sections 6 and 7.

With the exception of sections 6 and 7, Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1404 is approved."

CHAPTER 212

[Engrossed Senate Bill No. 6119]

LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSES—INTERIM PERMITS

AN ACT Relating to interim permits and examinations for persons applying to be licensed practical nurses; amending RCW 18.78.060; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

Sec. 1. Section 6, chapter 222, Laws of 1949 as last amended by section 8, chapter 55, Laws of 1983 and RCW 18.78.060 are each amended to read as follows:

An applicant for a license to practice nursing as a licensed practical nurse shall submit to the board written evidence, on a form provided by the board, verified under oath, that the applicant:

- (1) Is at least eighteen years of age;

- (2) Is of good moral character;
- (3) Is of good physical and mental health;
- (4) Has completed at least a tenth grade course or its equivalent, as determined by the board;
- (5) Has completed an approved program of not less than nine months for the education of practical nurses, or its equivalent, as determined by the board.

To be licensed as a practical nurse, each applicant shall be required to pass an examination in such subjects as the board may determine within the scope of and commensurate with the work to be performed by a licensed practical nurse. Upon approval by the board, the department shall issue an interim permit authorizing the applicant to practice nursing as authorized under this chapter pending notification of the results of the first licensing examination following verification of satisfactory completion of an approved program of practical nursing. Any applicant failing to pass such an examination may apply for reexamination. If the applicant fails the examination, the interim permit expires upon notification and is not renewable. Upon passing such examination as determined by the board, the director shall issue to the applicant a license to practice as a licensed practical nurse, providing the license fee is paid by the applicant and the applicant meets all other requirements of the board.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety, the support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take effect April 1, 1988. The director of licensing may immediately take such steps as are necessary to ensure that this act is implemented on its effective date.

Passed the Senate February 10, 1988.

Passed the House March 3, 1988.

Approved by the Governor March 23, 1988.

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CHAPTER 213

[Substitute Senate Bill No. 6118]

CHILD CARE COORDINATING COMMITTEE—CHILD CARE EXPANSION GRANT FUND

AN ACT Relating to child care development and services; adding new sections to chapter 74.13 RCW; and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. It shall be the policy of the state of Washington to:

- (1) Recognize the family as the most important social and economic unit of society and support the central role parents play in child rearing. All