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August 25, 2014

The Honorable David Heitmeier, Chairman  
Senate Health and Welfare Committee  
P O Box 94183  
Baton Rouge, LA 70804

Dear Senator Heitmeier:

In compliance with the Administrative Procedure Act, R.S. 49:968(D)(1)(b), related to the promulgation of Rules, enclosed please find the Notice of Intent for the Board of Practical Nurse Examiners to amend the LAC 46:XLVII. Sections §937, §939 and §1715. This Notice of Intent was duly promulgated and published on pages 1581 and 1582 in the August 20, 2014, issue of the *Louisiana Register*.

The rule-making is informed by authority of the LSBPNE granted in R.S. 37:969 B. (5). allows the board to adopt and revise all rules and regulations necessary to implement the provisions of the Nurse Practice Act. At its meeting held on June 20, 2014, the members of the board approved several amendments to Sections §937, §939 and §1715, Regular Admissions; Advanced Standing; Licensure; Fees, of Title 46 Professional and Occupational Standards, Part XLVII. Nurses, Subpart 1. Practical Nurses. The proposed revisions to §937 will raise the minimum standards of placement tests taken prior to entering the practical nursing program to ensure that the applicant is qualified to enter into the practical nursing program. The proposed revision to §939 is to ensure that the practical nursing student has retained the material, as well as the knowledge of the most current revisions of the subject matter. The proposed revision to §1715.A.2 and 4 will increase certain fees that will be utilized to eliminate deficits in the operating budget.

To date, no members of the public have addressed these proposed rule changes. Future comments received will be addressed accordingly.

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Subject to legislative oversight by either the House or Senate Health and Welfare Committee, the board intends to submit the proposed changes as Rule to the Office of the State Register for publication.

Please contact me at (504) 838-5452 if I can assist you concerning these rule changes.

Sincerely,



M. Lynn Ansardi, RN  
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July 10, 2014

FILE COPY

Catherine Brindley, Editor  
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P.O. Box 94095  
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Dear Ms. Brindley:

In compliance with the Administrative Procedure Act related to the promulgation of Rules, enclosed please find the Notice of Intent for the Board of Practical Nurse Examiners to amend the LAC 46:XLVII. Sections 937, 939 and 1715. It will appear in the August, 2014 issue of the *Louisiana Register*.

This Notice of Intent was submitted to you electronically and I have not included a diskette. If you require a diskette, please let me know.

The paperwork required by the legislative fiscal office has been completed and mailed to that office. I've requested that they "walk" the approved fiscal economic impact statement to your office.

Sincerely,



M. Lynn Ansardi, RN  
Executive Director

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