AN ACT

CONCERNING THE RULE-MAKING AUTHORITY OF THE STATE BOARD OF NURSING RELATED TO THE NURSE DIVERSION PROGRAM.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. 12-38-131 (1) (b) (II), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

12-38-131. Impaired professional diversion program - committee. (1) (b) As part of the program established by the board to be administered by the impaired professional diversion committee, the board shall adopt rules that:

(II) Provide that licensees who are not specifically identified by the board as candidates for the program may voluntarily apply; without reprisal;

SECTION 2. Effective date - applicability. This act shall take effect upon passage and shall apply to nurses who voluntarily participate in the nurse diversion program on or after said date.

SECTION 3. Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

Approved: May 28, 2002