CHAPTER 244

PROFESSIONS AND OCCUPATIONS

SENATE BILL 11-242

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AN ACT

CONCERNING RETIRED VOLUNTEER NURSE LICENSURE.

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

- **SECTION 1.** The introductory portion to 12-38-112.5 (2) and 12-38-112.5 (5), Colorado Revised Statutes, are amended, and the said 12-38-112.5 is further amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SUBSECTION, to read:
- **12-38-112.5. Retired volunteer nurse licensure.** (2) A retired volunteer nursing license shall only be issued to an applicant who is at least sixty-five FIFTY-FIVE years of age and:
- (5) If, at the time the application is made for a retired volunteer nursing license, the applicant is not in compliance with the continuing education requirements established by the board, the applicant shall be issued a nonrenewable temporary license to practice for six months if the applicant is otherwise qualified for the license.
- (9) THE BOARD SHALL DENY AN APPLICATION FOR THE REACTIVATION OF A PRACTICAL OR PROFESSIONAL NURSE LICENSE FOR A RETIRED VOLUNTEER NURSE IF THE BOARD DETERMINES THAT THE NURSE REQUESTING REACTIVATION HAS NOT ACTIVELY VOLUNTEERED AS A NURSE FOR THE TWO-YEAR PERIOD IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING THE FILING OF THE APPLICATION FOR LICENSE REACTIVATION OR HAS NOT OTHERWISE DEMONSTRATED CONTINUED COMPETENCY TO RETURN TO THE ACTIVE PRACTICE OF NURSING IN A MANNER APPROVED BY THE BOARD.

Capital letters indicate new material added to existing statutes; dashes through words indicate deletions from existing statutes and such material not part of act.

SECTION 2. 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.

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