## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## **HOUSE BILL**

No. 1364 Session of 1991

INTRODUCED BY PESCI, NOYE, FAIRCHILD, DALEY, TRICH, HERMAN, LAUGHLIN, LESCOVITZ, COLAIZZO, GEIST, STEIGHNER, ARMSTRONG, VEON, KOSINSKI, MELIO, TRELLO, STEELMAN, BELARDI, RICHARDSON, KRUSZEWSKI, CAWLEY, E. Z. TAYLOR, JAMES AND BUNT, MAY 8, 1991

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, MAY 8, 1991

## AN ACT

- Amending the act of March 2, 1956 (1955 P.L.1211, No.376),
  entitled "An act providing for and regulating the licensing
  and practice of practical nursing; imposing duties on the
  State Board of Nurse Examiners; and imposing penalties,"
  further providing for who is eligible to take the licensure
  examination.
- 7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 8 hereby enacts as follows:
- 9 Section 1. Section 5.1 of the act of March 2, 1956 (1955)
- 10 P.L.1211, No.376), known as the Practical Nurse Law, added
- 11 December 15, 1986 (P.L.1609, No.180), is amended to read:
- 12 Section 5.1. Restrictions on Examinations.--(a) In
- 13 establishing the education requirements for admittance to the
- 14 nursing licensure examination under this act, the board shall
- 15 not deny access to examination for licensure as a practical
- 16 nurse to a graduate of a one-year State-approved practical
- 17 nursing program.
- 18 (b) In addition, the board shall not deny access to the
- 19 examination to a person who either has served on active duty in

- and been honorably discharged from the medical corps of any of 1
- 2 the United States Armed Forces or has served in the United
- 3 States Public Health Service, if the following conditions are
- 4 <u>satisfied:</u>
- 5 (1) He or she served not less than an aggregate of twelve
- 6 months in rendering patient care.
- 7 (2) He or she completed satisfactorily the basic course of
- nursing instruction offered by the branch he or she served. 8
- 9 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.