

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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CHAPTER 871
HOUSE BILL 1469

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 90 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES OF NORTH CAROLINA TO PROVIDE OPPORTUNITY FOR ADVANCED PLACEMENT IN EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS IN NURSING, PRACTICAL NURSING, AND DENTAL HYGIENE FOR MILITARY MEDICS AND OTHERS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 90-171.7 is amended by adding at the end a new subsection (8) which reads as follows:

"(8) Any educational unit in nursing or practical nursing which receives State appropriations for the purpose of 'advanced placement programs' shall develop and implement a procedure for advanced placement of any persons potentially qualified by prior training or experience into programs leading to graduation in nursing or practical nursing. This procedure shall be designed to encourage and allow credit for any person who has attained special capabilities in nursing or practical nursing through military service, on-the-job training or working experience, or other means not otherwise qualifying a person to be eligible immediately for the licensing examination provided for in G.S. 90-170. The procedure shall include these elements: public announcement of the procedure, a convenient method for persons who have special capabilities through training or experience to make application to the educational unit for advanced placement, personal counseling on obtaining advanced placement, administration of specially-prepared written and clinical examinations for all parts of the curriculum otherwise required for graduation, exemption from course requirements when results of the examinations so indicate, and appropriate modification of curriculum requirements, when necessary, to facilitate individual advancement in education programs. The procedure for advanced placement shall not be approved by the Board unless it is fairly designed to facilitate the substitution of military or civilian training and experience for regular curricula, taking into account that the special nature of military and certain civilian training and experience may be equivalent without necessarily being identical to the courses of the educational unit."

Sec. 2. G.S. 90-223 is amended by adding a new subsection (d) to read as follows:

"(d) The Board shall, in addition to any other requirements for Board approval of a school or program of dental hygiene for purposes of this Article, require that any school or program in North Carolina develop and implement a procedure for advanced placement of potentially qualified persons. This procedure shall be designed to encourage and allow credit for any person who has attained special capabilities in dental work through military service, on-the-job training or working experience, or other means not otherwise qualifying the person to be immediately eligible for licensure. The procedure shall include these elements: public announcement of the procedure, a method for persons who have special capabilities through training or experience to make application to the school or program for advanced placement,

personal counseling on obtaining advanced placement, administration of specially-prepared written and clinical examinations for all parts of the curriculum otherwise required for graduation, exemption from course requirements when results of the examinations so indicate, and appropriate modification of curriculum requirements, when necessary, to facilitate individual advancement in education programs. The procedure for advanced placement shall not be approved by the Board unless it is fairly designed to facilitate the substitution of military or civilian training and experience for regular curricula, taking into account that the special nature of military and certain civilian training and experience may be equivalent without necessarily being identical to the courses of the school or program."

Sec. 3. This act shall become effective on October 1, 1974.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 18th day of February, 1974.