

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
1981 SESSION

CHAPTER 852
HOUSE BILL 1288

AN ACT TO MAKE CERTAIN TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS TO THE NURSE PRACTICE ACT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 90-160 as enacted by Chapter 360 of the 1981 Session Laws is amended by deleting the word "immunity" from the heading thereof.

Sec. 2. Section 2 of North Carolina Session Laws of 1981, Chapter 360, is hereby rewritten to read as follows:

"On January 1, 1982, the terms of office of all board members shall expire and the Governor shall appoint two public members to the board as follows: one for a one-year term and one for a two-year term. The North Carolina Board of Nursing shall conduct an election in 1981 to elect:

- (1) for a one-year term: a community health nurse, a nurse educator, and two licensed practical nurses;
- (2) for a two-year term: a nurse educator, a nurse approved to perform medical acts, a hospital employed director of nursing services, and one licensed practical nurse; and
- (3) for a three-year term: one nurse educator, one nurse employed by a physician primarily engaged in the private practice of medicine, one registered nurse employed by a skilled or intermediate care facility, one registered nurse employed by a hospital and primarily engaged in providing patient care services, and one licensed practical nurse. Thereafter, members shall serve a three-year term and shall be selected as provided in G.S. 90-160."

Sec. 3. G.S. 90-163 as enacted by Chapter 360 of the 1981 Session Laws is amended by rewriting the second sentence thereof to read as follows: "The board may take any of the actions specified above in this section when a registered nurse approved to perform medical acts has violated rules governing the performance of medical acts by a registered nurse; provided this shall not interfere with the authority of the Board of Medical Examiners to enforce rules and regulations governing the performance of medical acts by a registered nurse."

Sec. 4. G.S. 90-160.2(14) as enacted by Chapter 665 of the 1981 Session Laws is rewritten to read as follows: "appoint and maintain a subcommittee of the board to work jointly with the subcommittee of the Board of Medical Examiners to develop rules and regulations to govern the performance of medical acts by registered nurses and to determine reasonable fees to accompany an application for approval or renewal of such approval as provided in G.S. 90-6. The fees and rules developed by this subcommittee shall govern the performance of medical acts by registered nurses and shall become effective when they have been adopted by both boards."

Sec. 5. This act shall become effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 7th day of July, 1981.