

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 2005**

**SESSION LAW 2005-186  
SENATE BILL 3**

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF NURSING TO  
REQUIRE APPLICANTS TO SUBMIT EVIDENCE OF CONTINUING  
COMPETENCY UPON LICENSE RENEWAL OR REINSTATEMENT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 90-171.23(b) is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:

"(b) Duties, powers. The Board is empowered to:

...

(20) Adopt rules requiring an applicant to submit to the Board evidence of the applicant's continuing competence in the practice of nursing at the time of license renewal or reinstatement.

...."

**SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2005.

s/ Beverly E. Perdue  
President of the Senate

s/ James B. Black  
Speaker of the House of Representatives

s/ Michael F. Easley  
Governor

Approved 8:35 p.m. this 12<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2005