

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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SENATE BILL 286

Short Title: NC Board of Nursing Licensure Fees. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Adcock, Hanig, and Corbin (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate

March 17, 2025

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT TO INCREASE VARIOUS FEES FOR THE NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF
NURSING.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 90-171.27 reads as rewritten:

"§ 90-171.27. Expenses payable from fees collected by Board.

(a) All salaries, compensation, and expenses incurred or allowed for the purposes of carrying out this Article shall be paid by the Board exclusively out of the fees received by the Board as authorized by this Article, or funds received from other sources. In no case shall any salary, expense, or other obligation of the Board be charged against the treasury of the State of North Carolina. All moneys and receipts shall be kept in a special fund by and for the use of the Board for the exclusive purpose of carrying out the provisions of this Article.

(b) The schedule of fees shall not exceed the following rates:

Application for examination leading to certificate and license as registered nurse	\$75.00 <u>\$150.00</u>
Application for certificate and license as registered nurse by endorsement	150.00 <u>300.00</u>
Application for each re-examination leading to certificate and license as registered nurse	75.00 <u>150.00</u>
Renewal of license to practice as registered nurse (two-year period).....	100.00 <u>200.00</u>
Reinstatement of lapsed license to practice as a registered nurse and renewal fee	180.00 <u>280.00</u>
Application for examination leading to certificate and license as licensed practical nurse by examination	75.00 <u>150.00</u>
Application for certificate and license as licensed practical nurse by endorsement	150.00 <u>300.00</u>
Application for each re-examination leading to certificate and license as licensed practical nurse	75.00 <u>150.00</u>
Renewal of license to practice as a licensed practical nurse (two-year period).....	100.00 <u>200.00</u>
Reinstatement of lapsed license to practice as a licensed practical nurse and renewal fee	180.00 <u>280.00</u>
Application fee for retired registered nurse status or retired licensed practical nurse status	50.00 <u>100.00</u>



1 Reinstatement of retired registered nurse to practice as a registered nurse
 2 or a retired licensed practical nurse to practice as a licensed
 3 practical nurse (two-year period)~~100.00~~200.00

4 Reasonable charge for duplication to recover cost of other services and materials.

5 A fee for an item listed in this schedule shall not increase from one year to the next by more
 6 than twenty percent (20%).

7 (c) No refund of fees will be made.

8 (d) The Board may assess costs of disciplinary action against a nurse found in violation
 9 of the North Carolina Nursing Practice Act."

10 **SECTION 2.** The North Carolina Board of Nursing may adopt temporary rules to
 11 implement the provisions of this act.

12 **SECTION 3.** This act becomes effective October 1, 2025, and applies to
 13 applications, renewals, and reinstatements for licensure on or after that date.