

No. 354

AN ACT

SB 412

Amending the act of March 2, 1956 (P.L.1211), 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 exclusions from the act, changing educational requirements and making an editorial change.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. Clause (6) of the second paragraph of section 3 and section 5, act of March 2, 1956 (P.L.1211), known as the "Practical Nurse Law," amended January 13, 1966 (P.L.1295), are amended to read:

Section 3. * * *

This act does not prohibit:

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(6) Care of the sick *with or* without compensation or personal profit when done in connection with the practice of the religious tenets of any church by adherents thereof.

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Section 5. No application for licensure as a licensed practical nurse shall be considered unless accompanied by a fee of five dollars (\$5.00). Every applicant for examination as a licensed practical nurse shall furnish evidence satisfactory to the board that he or she is eighteen years of age or over, is a citizen of the United States or has legally declared intention to become such, is of good moral character, has completed at least [eight years and after January 1, 1967] twelve years of education with diploma in public, parochial or private school, or its equivalent as evaluated by the Department of Public Instruction; and has satisfactorily completed a course in practical nursing prescribed and approved by the board in a school, hospital or other institution, of not less than fifteen hundred hours and within a period of not less than twelve months.

Any licensed practical nurse licensed to practice without examination prior to May 14, 1966, shall be eligible to apply for the examination conducted by the board even though such applicant does not possess the educational background or its equivalent required of other applicants for examination.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 28th day of December, A. D. 1972.

MILTON J. SHAPP

The foregoing is a true and correct copy of Act of the General Assembly
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A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "C. McLaughlin Tucker". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large initial "C" and a prominent "T" at the end.

Secretary of the Commonwealth.