RULE MAKING ACTIVITY

At its meeting held on November 1, 2018, the Louisiana State Board of Practical Nurse Examiners approved revisions to the Louisiana Administrative Code Title 46, Professional and Occupational Standards, Part LXVII. Nurses, Subpart 1. Practical Nurses, Section 1703 and Section 1715.

The proposed changes to Section 1703 A.2. and 3 is to clarify the current Rule by establishing the length of time an applicant has to take the NCLEX-PN to become a licensed practical nurse.

The purpose of the proposed Rule change to Section 1715 A. 1, 5, 7, and 11 is to increase board's revenue. It will allow the board to help off-set deficits in its operating budget due to loss in revenue resulting from no longer issuing paper licenses, name changes on licenses, and license verifications due to the Enhanced Nurse Licensure Compact Law which will go in to affect in 2019.

The first step in the rulemaking process in the publication of the Board's Notice of Intent in the Louisiana Register. The Notice of Intent will be published on December 20, 2018. At that time, you may visit the register's website at www.doa.louisiana.gov/osr, to access a free publication.

Interested persons may submit written comments until 4 p.m., January 10, 2019, to M. Lynn Ansardi, Executive Director, Board of Practical Nurse Examiners, 131 Airline Drive, Suite 301, Metairie, Louisiana 70001.

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