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House Bill 4654

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HOUSEHOLDER AND ROHRBACH)

[Passed March 7, 2016; in effect from passage.]

1 AN ACT to amend and reenact §30-7-4 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating
2 to the West Virginia Board of Examiners for Registered Professional Nurses; and
3 eliminating required qualifications of the executive secretary to the board.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

1 That §30-7-4 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended and reenacted
2 to read as follows:

ARTICLE 7. REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL NURSES.

**§30-7-4. Organization and meetings of board; quorum; powers and duties generally;
executive secretary; funds.**

1 The board shall meet at least once each year and shall elect from its members a president
2 and a secretary. The secretary shall also act as treasurer of the board. The board may hold other
3 meetings during the year as it considers necessary to transact its business. A majority, including
4 one officer, of the board is a quorum at any meeting. The board may:

5 (a) Adopt and, from time to time, amend rules, not inconsistent with this article, necessary
6 to enable it to carry into effect the provisions of this article;

7 (b) Prescribe standards for educational programs preparing persons for licensure to
8 practice registered professional nursing under this article;

9 (c) Provide for surveys of educational programs at times it considers necessary;

10 (d) Accredite educational programs for the preparation of practitioners of registered
11 professional nursing that meet the requirements of this article and of the board;

12 (e) Deny or withdraw accreditation of educational programs for failure to meet or maintain
13 prescribed standards required by this article and by the board;

14 (f) Examine, license and renew the licenses of duly qualified applicants;

15 (g) Conduct hearings upon charges calling for discipline of a licensee or revocation or
16 suspension of a license;

17 (h) Keep a record of all proceedings of the board;

18 (i) Make a biennial report to the Governor;

19 (j) Appoint and employ a qualified person, who may not be a member of the board, to
20 serve as executive secretary to the board;

21 (k) Define the duties and fix the compensation for the executive secretary; and

22 (l) Employ other persons necessary to carry on the work of the board.

23 All fees and other moneys collected by the board pursuant to the provisions of this article
24 shall be kept in a separate fund and expended solely for the purpose of this article. No part of this
25 special fund reverts to the General Funds of this state. The compensation provided by this article
26 and all expenses incurred under this article shall be paid from this special fund. No compensation
27 or expense incurred under this article is a charge against the General Funds of this state.

The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

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Chairman, House Committee

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Chairman, Senate Committee

Originating in the House.

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