GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 1999

SENATE BILL 843 RATIFIED BILL

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF NURSING TO INCREASE THE ANNUAL FEE CHARGED NURSES AIDES II.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 90-171.55(a) reads as rewritten:

"(a) The Board of Nursing, established pursuant to G.S. 90-171.21, shall establish a Nurses Aides Registry for persons functioning as nurses aides regardless of title. The Board shall consider those Level I nurses aides employed in State licensed or Medicare/Medicaid certified nursing facilities who meet applicable State and federal registry requirements as adopted by the North Carolina Medical Care Commission as having fulfilled the training and registry requirements of the Board, except for the fee requirements prescribed by this section. Board. The Board may not charge an annual fee to a nurse aide I registry applicant. The Board may charge an annual fee of five dollars (\$5.00) for each registry applicant. twelve dollars (\$12.00) for each nurse aide II registry applicant. The Board shall adopt rules to ensure that whenever possible, the fee is collected through the employer or prospective employer of the registry applicant. Fees collected may be used by the Board in administering the registry. The Board's authority granted by this Article shall not conflict with the authority of the Medical Care Commission."

Section 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 28th day of June, 1999.

		Dennis A. Wicker President of the Senate	
		James B. Black Speaker of the House of Representative	es
		James B. Hunt, Jr. Governor	
Approved	m. this	day of	, 19