

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2005**

**SENATE BILL 3
RATIFIED BILL**

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF NURSING TO
REQUIRE APPLICANTS TO SUBMIT EVIDENCE OF CONTINUING
COMPETENCY UPON LICENSE RENEWAL OR REINSTATEMENT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 90-171.23(b) is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:

"(b) Duties, powers. The Board is empowered to:

...
(20) Adopt rules requiring an applicant to submit to the Board evidence of the applicant's continuing competence in the practice of nursing at the time of license renewal or reinstatement.
..."

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

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 5th day of July, 2005.

Beverly E. Perdue
President of the Senate

James B. Black
Speaker of the House of Representatives

Michael F. Easley
Governor

Approved _____m. this _____ day of _____, 2005