

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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SENATE DRS75095-LU-4A (12/6)

Short Title: Amend Nurse Practice Act. (Public)

Sponsors: Senator Rand.

Referred to:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF NURSING TO ACQUIRE PROPERTY, CONDUCT ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS, SERVE SUBPOENAS ISSUED BY THE BOARD, AND ESTABLISH STANDARDS FOR APPLICANT REQUIREMENTS FOR MEDICATION AIDE TRAINING.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 90-171.23(b) is amended by adding the following new subdivisions:

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

...

(21) Conduct administrative hearings in accordance with Article 3A of Chapter 150B of the General Statutes when a contested case, as defined in G.S. 150B-2(2), arises under this Article. Notwithstanding G.S. 150B-40(b), the Board, at its discretion, may conduct hearings consisting of less than a majority of the Board or greater than a majority of the Board, and the majority of those members conducting the hearing shall be licensed nurses.

(22) Designate one or more of its employees to serve papers or subpoenas issued by the Board. Service under this subdivision is in addition to any other methods of service permitted by law.

(23) Acquire, hold, rent, encumber, alienate, and otherwise deal with real property in the same manner as a private person or corporation, subject only to approval of the Governor and the Council of State. Collateral pledged by the Board for an encumbrance is limited to the assets, income, and revenues of the Board."

SECTION 2. G.S. 90-171.56(1) reads as rewritten:

1 "(1) Establish standards for faculty and applicant requirements for
2 medication aide ~~training; and training.~~"
3 **SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law.