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BY: Health and Government Operations Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 378
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, at the top of the page, insert “EMERGENCY BILL”; in line 2, after “Graduates” insert “and Certified Medication Technicians”; in line 4, after “Nursing;” insert “authorizing certain medication technicians to practice for a certain time period while the State Board of Nursing processes a certain application; requiring the State Board of Nursing to provide a certain report to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date; making this Act an emergency measure; providing for the termination of this Act;”; in line 6, after “graduates” insert “and certified medication technicians”; and in line 9, after “8-6A-07” insert “and 8-6A-08(f)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, after line 16, insert:

“8-6A-08.

(f) (1) The Board may grant a 30-day extension, beyond a certificate’s expiration date, to a certificate holder so that the certificate holder may renew the certificate before it expires.

(2) The Board may grant two 90-day extensions beyond a certificate’s expiration date pending receipt of criminal history record information.

(3) A MEDICATION TECHNICIAN WHO HAS APPLIED FOR RENEWAL AND TAKEN THE BOARD-APPROVED CLINICAL REFRESHER COURSE MAY PRACTICE FOR NO MORE THAN 180 DAYS FROM THE DATE OF COMPLETION OF THE BOARD-APPROVED CLINICAL REFRESHER COURSE WHILE THE BOARD PROCESSES THE RENEWAL APPLICATION.”.

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AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 3, before line 17, insert:

“SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, on or before December 31, 2011, the State Board of Nursing shall report to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Health and Government Operations Committee, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, on:

(1) the status of the online program for processing initial and renewal medication technician applications, including:

(i) the percentage of medication technicians using the online renewal process;

(ii) any known obstacles to a medication technician applicant’s use of the online system; and

(iii) the number of days it takes to certify an initial or renewal application;

(2) the measures implemented to encourage the use of online applications; and

(3) an analysis of current staffing, including staff added since January 1, 2011, and projected staffing needs.”.

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 3, in line 17, strike “2.” and substitute “3.”; strike beginning with “shall” in line 17 down through “2011” in line 18 and substitute “is an emergency measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health or safety, has been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members”

elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from the date it is enacted. It shall remain effective for a period of 2 years from the date it is enacted and, at the end of the 2-year period, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect”.