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MICHIGAN BOARD OF NURSING MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 4, 2014 APPROVED MINUTES

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976, PA 267, as amended, the Michigan Board of Nursing met in regular session on September 4, 2014, at the Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper Level Conference Center, Conference Room 3, Lansing, Michigan.

CALL TO ORDER

Joshua Meringa, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Joshua Meringa, MPA, MHA, BSN, RN-BC, ONC, Chairperson
Ronald Basso, Public Member, Vice Chairperson
Kathy Bouchard-Wyant, RN, BA
Roselyn Argyle, RN
Elizabeth Recker, MSN, RN, CNOR
Jill DeVries, L.P.N.
Lars Egede-Nissen, Public Member
Cynthia Fenske, RN, DNP, CNE
Paula Hopper, RN, MSN
Denise Howard (Steele), LPN
Elaine Leigh, DNP, RN, FNP-BC
Reginald T. Armstrong, Public Member
Glenn O'Connor, CRNA, MS
Mary Brown, RN
Elaine Stefanski, LPN
Mary VanderKolk, RN, MSN
Kristoffer Tobbe, Public Member
Mary Corrado, Public Member
Amy Zoll, RN
Jessica Ann Tyson, Public Member
Lawrence Olson, Ph.D, Public Member

Members Absent: Tiffany McDonald, RN
Benjamin Bufford, Public Member

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Staff Present: Shellayne Grimes, Secretary, Policy, Rules and Board Support Section
Norene Lind, Policy Manager, Policy, Rules and Board Support Section
Elaine Barr, Policy Analyst, Policy, Rules and Board Support Section
Susan Bushong, HPRP Contract Administrator/Outreach Coordinator
Joe Campbell, Director, Enforcement Division (left at 9:58 a.m.)
Brian Brown, Analyst, Enforcement Division (arrived at 10:09 a.m.)
Bruce Johnson, Assistant Attorney General

Others Present: Deborah Bach-Stante, DCH, Office of Nursing Policy
Linda Taft, HPRC
Nancy Short, Governor Snyder's Office
Tom Sparks, Attorney

INTRODUCTIONS

Meringa asked that all Board members and staff introduce themselves and provide a brief history.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Bouchard-Wyant, seconded by Brown, to approve the minutes of the June 4, 2014 meeting, as presented.

MOTION PREVAILED

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION by Tobbe, seconded by DeVries, to approve the agenda, as presented.

MOTION PREVAILED

REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS

Lorrie Jean Schumaker, RN – Application for Reinstatement

MOTION by Basso, seconded by Leigh, to deny the Application for Reinstatement in the matter of Lorrie Jean Schumaker, RN.

Discussion was held.

A roll call vote followed: Yeas – Argyle, Armstrong, Bouchard-Wyant, Brown, Corrado, DeVries, Egede-Nissen, Fenske, Hopper, Leigh,

O'Connor, Olson, Recker, Stefanski, Steele, Tobbe,
Tyson, VanderKolk, Zoll, Basso, Meringa

MOTION PREVAILED

Linda Jones, LPN– (Corrected) Proposal for Decision

MOTION by DeVries, seconded by Armstrong, to accept the Proposal for Decision and deny application for relicensure in the matter of Linda Jones, LPN.

A roll call vote was held: Yeas – Argyle, Armstrong, Bouchard-Wyant, Brown, Corrado, DeVries, Egede-Nissen, Fenske, Hopper, Leigh, O'Connor, Olson, Recker, Stefanski, Steele, Tobbe, Tyson, VanderKolk, Zoll, Basso, Meringa

MOTION PREVAILED

Carolyn Ethel Morris, RN – Proposal for Decision/Relicensure

MOTION by Tobbe, seconded by Hopper, to accept the Proposal for Decision and grant application for relicensure in the matter of Carolyn Ethel Morris, RN.

A roll call vote was held: Yeas – Argyle, Armstrong, Bouchard-Wyant, Brown, Corrado, DeVries, Egede-Nissen, Fenske, Hopper, Leigh, O'Connor, Olson, Recker, Stefanski, Steele, Tobbe, Tyson, VanderKolk, Zoll, Basso, Meringa

MOTION PREVAILED

**Allison Rose Russell, RN, LPN – Proposal for Decision/Reinstatement
a/k/a Allison Rose Raber**

MOTION by DeVries, seconded by Bouchard-Wyant, to accept the Proposal for Decision and grant reinstatement in the matter of Allison Rose Russell, RN, LPN.

A roll call vote was held: Yeas – Argyle, Armstrong, Bouchard-Wyant, Brown, Corrado, DeVries, Egede-Nissen, Fenske, Hopper, Leigh, O'Connor, Olson, Recker, Stefanski, Steele, Tobbe, Tyson, VanderKolk, Zoll, Basso, Meringa

MOTION PREVAILED

MOTION by Brown, seconded by Bouchard-Wyant, to grant Respondent a limited license with no access to controlled substances for two (2) years. Respondent shall be placed on probation for a period of three (3) years with the following terms and conditions:

- (1) Respondent shall submit quarterly employer reports.
- (2) Respondent shall comply with HPRP.

Discussion was held.

A roll call vote followed: Yeas – Argyle, Armstrong, Bouchard-Wyant, Brown, Corrado, DeVries, Egede-Nissen, Fenske, Hopper, Leigh, O'Connor, Olson, Recker, Stefanski, Steele, Tobbe, Tyson, VanderKolk, Zoll, Basso, Meringa

MOTION PREVAILED

Barbara Jean Williams, LPN – Proposal for Decision/Reinstatement

MOTION by Stefanski, seconded by Bouchard-Wyant, to accept the Proposal for Decision and deny reinstatement in the matter of Barbara Jean Williams, LPN.

Discussion was held.

A roll call vote followed: Yeas – Argyle, Armstrong, Bouchard-Wyant, Brown, Corrado, DeVries, Egede-Nissen, Fenske, Hopper, Leigh, O'Connor, Olson, Recker, Stefanski, Steele, Tobbe, Tyson, VanderKolk, Zoll, Basso, Meringa

MOTION PREVAILED

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Disciplinary Subcommittee (DSC)

Egede-Nissen reported that the Disciplinary Subcommittee has met three (3) times since the last meeting on June 4, 2014 and will meet again after today's meeting. He reported that the DSC reviewed approximately 118 regulatory cases with six (6) rejected Consent Orders and Stipulations, five (5) counter-offers which included probation and employer reports, and one (1) counter-offer with additional continuing education.

Rules Committee

Basso deferred to Barr to provide a brief explanation of the history of the Draft Rules. She informed that the Administrative Rules are currently being reviewed by the Department's Regulatory Affairs Officer. Lind explained the difference between law and rules for new Board members.

Education Committee

Hopper directed the Board to the Education Committee LPN Report and provided a verbal highlight of same. See Addendum #1.

MOTION by Argyle, seconded by Bouchard-Wyant, to accept the following motion presented by the Education Committee:

Motion #1 by the committee to approve the LPN program decision for Dorsey Schools, Glen Oaks Community College, Grand Rapids Community College, Lake Superior State University, Monroe County Community College, Montcalm Community College, Northwestern Michigan College, and Southwestern Michigan College.

A voice vote followed.

MOTION PREVAILED

Hopper directed the Board to the Education Committee RN Report and provided a verbal highlight of same. See Addendum #2.

MOTION by Brown, seconded by Egede-Nissen, to accept the following motion presented by the Education Committee:

Motion #1 by the committee to accept the Annual Reports, major program changes, self studies, site visit, and faculty exceptions submitted by Andrews University, Calvin College, Finlandia University, Glen Oaks Community College, Grand Rapids Community College, Grand Valley State University, Henry Ford College, Hope College, Kellogg Community College, Lake Superior State University, Monroe County Community College, Montcalm Community College, St. Clair County Community College, Southwestern Michigan College, and Western Michigan University.

A voice vote followed.

MOTION PREVAILED

Hopper provided a brief overview of the Education Committee for the benefit of the new Board members.

DCH – Office of Nursing Policy Report

Bach-Stante prepared the "DCH – Office of Nursing Policy (ONP) Report," dated September 4, 2014, and she provided an overview of the same. See Addendum #3, attached hereto.

Bach-Stante also provided a summary of various bills that impact the nursing profession. See Addendum #3, attached hereto.

For the benefit of the new Board members, Bach-Stante furnished an overview of what the functions and responsibilities are of the Office of Nursing Policy and how it interacts with the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs.

Vice Chairperson's Report

Basso noted that the Rules Committee report has already been covered. He and DeVries assisted with August Compliance Conferences.

Chairperson's Report

Meringa provided information regarding his activities during the months of June-August, 2014, as follows:

June:

Allegation review:	41 + 25 cases (22 +20 authorized for investigation)
Summary Suspensions:	11
CE review/approvals:	2
Case reviews/Conferee:	2
Compliance conferences:	0
NCSBN:	No meetings

July:

Allegation review:	0 cases (0 authorized for investigation)
Summary Suspensions:	5
CE review/approvals:	2
Case reviews/Conferee:	1
Compliance conferences:	0
NCSBN:	No meetings

August:

Allegation review	24 cases (17 authorized for investigation)
with Hopper and O'Connor	(additional 16 not reviewed)
Summary Suspensions:	8
CE review/approvals:	3
Case reviews/Conferee:	1
Compliance conferences:	0
NCSBN:	Annual Meeting with Hopper and O'Connor

NCSBN Annual Meeting Summary:

Business Agenda:

- Approval of slate of candidates for Board of Directors and Leadership Succession Committee
- Adopt proposed revision to the NCSBN Model Practice Act & Rules
- Adopt proposed revisions to NCSBN Bylaws
- Approve associate memberships of Nurses Association of New Brunswick, College of LPNs of Newfoundland and Labrador, Nursing & Midwifery Board of New South Wales, Yukon Registered Nurses Association, and Nursing & Midwifery Board of Australia
- Approve resolution in support of facilitating interstate practice

Additional Agenda Items:

- Scientific Presentations: Simulation Study
- Committee Forums (Finance, Bylaws, Distance Learning, APRN Compact)
- Presentation: Renegotiating Health Care: Resolving Conflict to Build Collaboration (Leonard Marcus, Ph.D)
- Knowledge Network Luncheon
- Presentation: Open Roads Open Minds: An Exploration of Creative Problem Solving (Steve Uzzell)
- Awards Banquet

There was a networking session with South Carolina delegates regarding Complaint Evaluation Tool and Pennsylvania delegates regarding PERC (Practice, Education, Remediation, Collaboration) Program

Hopper noted that her highlight of the NCSBN Annual Meeting was the High and Low Tech Simulation Study. The simulations were very well designed. There was no difference in the outcomes of the 10%, 25% and 50% simulations. Each state will need to determine an acceptable level of simulation to use. O'Connor noted that the study is extremely expensive.

Hopper and O'Connor discussed the importance of aligning Michigan's goals with the National goals in the following areas:

- APRN Compact
- Developing rules for distance learning
- Strategic planning

Meringa suggested that new Board members visit the NCSBN website at www.ncsbn.org to gain knowledge of what this national organization offers.

Fenske will be attending the NCSBN NCLEX Conference in Charlotte, North Carolina on September 29, 2014.

Meringa expressed his appreciation to Hopper, O'Connor and DeVries for their assistance with Allegation Review over the summer months.

Meringa shared that Roselyn Argyle is resigning from the Board after today's meeting. He thanked her for her service and wished her well and good health.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Elections

Lind ran the election for Chair.

MOTION by Tobbe, seconded by DeVries, to re-elect Meringa as Chairperson.

MOTION PREVAILED

Meringa ran the election for Vice Chair.

MOTION by Stefanski, seconded by Armstrong, to re-elect Basso as Vice Chairperson.

MOTION PREVAILED

Committee Assignments

Meringa explained the primary functions of the Committees, as well as the Allegation Review process. Several sign-up sheets were distributed for committee volunteering. Mentors were also assigned to the new Board members. The 2015 Conferee Schedule was also circulated and completed.

Meringa confirmed/assigned committee members as follows:

- Rules: Basso (Chair), Meringa, Steele, DeVries
- Education: Hopper (Chair), Armstrong, Fenske, Leigh, VanderKolk, Zoll
- Disciplinary Subcommittee: Egede-Nissen (Chair), Brown, Bouchard-Wyant, McDonald, Olson, Corrado (alternate), Stefanski (alternate), DeVries (alternate), O'Connor (alternate), Basso (alternate)

The 2015 Conferee schedule and 2014, 2015 Allegation Review schedules were circulated for Board members to sign up.

New Board members were assigned mentors as follows:

Karl Olson (Ron Basso), Amy Zoll (Mary VanderKolk), Benjamin Bufford (Paula Hopper), Elizabeth Recker (Jill DeVries) and Jessica Ann Tyson (Kristoffer Tobbe).

Meringa commended the Attorney General Office for their great assistance to the Board.

Health Professional Recovery Committee (HPRC) Appointment – Linda Taft

MOTION by Brown, seconded by DeVries, to re-appoint Linda Taft, RN, to serve as the Board of Nursing's representative on the Health Professional Recovery Committee.

MOTION PREVAILED

Health Professional Recovery Committee (HPRC)

Susan Bushong, Contract Administrator, provided a brief overview of the HPRP. Taft and Bushong distributed three (3) brochures relating to the Health Professional Recovery Program (HPRP).

Reference was also made to the Annual Report dated August 6, 2014 from the Health Professional Recovery Committee (HPRC).

Department Update

Lind reported that eight (8) Board members' terms will expire on June 20, 2015. It is important to note the impact of those expirations when establishing the Disciplinary Subcommittee (DSC).

Lind referenced an article published in the "Community" Capital Regional Community Foundation 2014 Annual Report regarding the Michigan Nurses Foundation, offering grants to nurses who are battling addiction. Taft responded that limited funding is available through the Michigan Nurses Association. Bushong added that the limited funding is geared toward specific treatment centers.

Lind reminded new Board members that orientation will be held in the next conference room immediately after the full board meeting today.

PUBLIC COMMENT

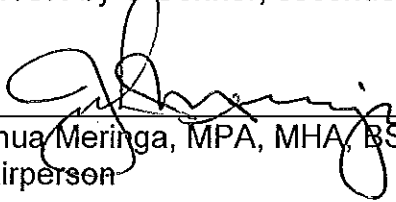
None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held November 6, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. at the Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper Level Conference Center, Conference Room 3, Lansing, Michigan.

ADJOURNMENT


MOTION by O'Connor, seconded by Brown, to adjourn the meeting at 11:22 a.m.



Joshua Meringa, MPA, MHA, BSN, RN-BC, ONC,
Chairperson

11/6/14

Date Minutes Approved



Shellayne Grimes, Board Secretary

Sept. 4, 2014

Date Minutes Prepared

ADDENDUM #1

EDUCATION COMMITTEE LPN REPORT

September 3, 2014

Conference Room A, 1:30-3:30

Chairperson: P. Hopper

Members: R. Argyle (absent), R. Armstrong, C. Fenske, E. Leigh, M. VanderKolk

NOTE: All Board members may vote on this report, pursuant to MCL 333.16148.

INFORMATIONAL CHANGES – *The Bureau received the following nursing director changes.*

Nursing Director Change

Patricia Jones is the Interim Director of Nursing at Everest Institute in Grand Rapids effective July 31, 2014.

Minor Program Change

Monroe County Community College was granted a minor program change for the plan of study: PNUR 124 will be an eight week course (6.5 credits) rather than six weeks (6 credits), PNUR 125 will be a four week course (3 credits) rather than six weeks; admission pre-requisites: HLTSC 110 Medical Terminology is eliminated, MATH 125 Mathematics for Allied Health eliminated, student who completes required pre-requisite coursework by the end of the fall semester will be allowed to submit an application for the LPN program.

Program Closing

Stautzenberger Institute is closing. The PN education program never enrolled anyone.

No motion is required.

COMMITTEE ACTIONS: *The committee reviewed the following program-related requests:*

Annual Reports

Grand Rapids Community College
The report was received and approved.

Lake Superior State University
The report was received and approved.

Monroe County Community College
The report was received and approved. The committee commends the improvement of the NCLEX results.

Montcalm Community College

The report was received and approved.

Northwestern Michigan College

The complete LPN annual report was received and approved. The committee recommends the program consider revising/updating some of the objectives for the mental health content in HNR 145.

Southwestern Michigan College

The additional material was received and approved. The committee suggests that you change the name of the NURS 185 PN capstone course from "Nursing Care of Adults II" to something like 'Practical Nursing Care throughout the Lifespan' for better clarification of content.

Major Program Change

Dorsey Schools (PN)

The major program change was received and approved. The committee wants to remind the school that any changes – major or minor – must be approved by the Michigan Board of Nursing prior to implementation.

Southwestern Michigan College

The major program change additional information was received and approved.

Self Study

Glen Oaks Community College

The self study was received and approved.

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ADDENDUM #2

EDUCATION COMMITTEE RN REPORT

September 3, 2014
Conference Room A, 1:30-3:30
Chairperson: P. Hopper

Members: R. Argyle (absent), R. Armstrong, C. Fenske, E. Leigh, M. VanderKolk

PLEASE NOTE: Pursuant to MCL 333.16148(5), a Board member who is a LPN cannot vote on RN program actions.

INFORMATIONAL CHANGES – *The Bureau received the following minor program and nursing director changes.*

Nursing Director Change

Dr. Michael Williams has been appointed Director of the School of Nursing at Eastern Michigan University effective May 30, 2014.

Jaime Sinutko is the new Campus Dean for Chamberlain College of Nursing in Troy effective June 9, 2014.

Johnna Therrian, RN, MSN is the new Nursing Department Chair at Finlandia University effective July 1, 2014.

Dr. Deborah Vargo is the new Dean at the College of Nursing and Health at Madonna University effective July 1, 2014.

Steve Deller, RN, MSN is the Interim Director of Nursing at West Shore Community College effective July 1, 2014.

Nicole Rowe, RN, MSN is the Interim Director of Nursing at Gogebic Community College effective August 8, 2014.

Minor Program Change

Schoolcraft College was granted a temporary increase (24) in the LPN to ADN track.

Rochester College was granted a minor program change for the decrease of NUR 2204 from 4 credits to 3, increase the credits of NUR2101 from 1 credit to 2, and the elimination of general education required course writing in APA style PSY 1001.

No motion is required.

COMMITTEE ACTIONS: *The committee reviewed the following program-related requests:*

Annual Report

Andrews University

The report was received and approved.

Calvin College

The report was received and approved. The committee congratulates the school on an excellent report.

Finlandia University

The report was received and approved.

Grand Rapids Community College

The report was received and approved.

Grand Valley State University

The report was received and tabled pending leveled outcomes, clarification of a non-nurse teaching nursing courses 344, 416, and 467, and clarification for contact hours for clinical vs. simulation. An exception cannot be granted for Dr. Wallace-Renter as exceptions, per the Administrative Rules, can only be granted for nurses seeking higher nursing degrees.

Henry Ford College

The report was received and approved.

Hope College

The report was received and approved.

Lake Superior State University

The report was received and approved.

Montcalm Community College

The report was received and approved.

Western Michigan University

The additional information was received and approved.

Major Program Change

Henry Ford College (ADN)

The major program change was received and approved.

Southwestern Michigan College (ADN)

The additional information was received and approved.

Self Study

Glen Oaks Community College

The self study was received and approved.

Monroe County Community College

The self study was received and approved as an accredited nursing program.

Faculty Exception

Kelly Eastmead	1 st exception	Clinical	expires 9/2015
Kellogg Community College			

Stephanie Penning	1 st exception	Clinical	expires 9/2015
Kellogg Community College			

Sherry Blais	3 rd exception	Clinical	expires 9/2015
St. Clair County Community College			

Suzanne Luggier	2 nd exception		expires 9/2015
Baker College of Auburn Hills			

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ADDENDUM #3



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STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH
LANSING

JAMES K. HAVEMAN
DIRECTOR

DATE: September 04, 2014
FROM: Deborah Bach-Stante, Director, Office of Nursing Policy
TO: Michigan Board of Nursing
RE: DCH – Office of Nursing Policy Report

The Michigan Department of Community Health (DCH), Office of Nursing Policy (ONP) has been busy working on behalf of nurses in the state of Michigan. As funding for the office comes from the Nurse Professional Fund, you will notice that this report is structured to depict efforts in each category for which the Nurse Professional Fund may be allocated, with the exception of nursing scholarships, which are managed and allocated by LARA.

a) *To promote safe patient care in all nursing practice environments*, the Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH), Office of Nursing Policy (ONP) has worked with MPHI to conduct focused groups of representatives of nurse employers interested in developing Transition to Practice Simulation programs and resources for transition-to-practice in hospital systems, long term care, and community-based care (home care, public health, hospice care, and ambulatory care). These focus groups identified priorities for further education of transitioning and seasoned members of their nursing staff.

(b) *To advance the safe practice of the nursing profession*, the Office of Nursing Policy has contracted with the Michigan Health Council to host a nursing summit on interprofessional practice and quality and safety to be held on September 12, 2014 at the Lansing Crowne Plaza Hotel. The conference will present an opportunity to build on the 2012 QSEN institute, highlighting how QSEN content in nursing educational programs creates competencies in teamwork and collaboration and evidence based practice that can be utilized in the practice of nursing to improve safety and quality. The conference will also explore the role of the Doctorate of Nursing Practice in achieving improved safety and quality in healthcare settings. Details can be found on the Michigan Health Council, Michigan Center for Nursing (MCN) website.

(c) *To assure a continuous supply of high-quality direct care nurses, nursing faculty, and nurse education programs*, the Office of Nursing Policy and the Michigan Council of Nursing Education Administrators (MCNEA) will be hosting a meeting to learn about the process and results of common curriculum efforts in states with an established common nursing curriculum.

As the Nursing Corps initiative to create additional faculty winds down, the ONP is working with the MCN and Public Sector Consultants to administer the periodic, Michigan Nursing Faculty Survey to obtain updated information about the availability of nursing faculty.

ADDENDUM #3

2013-14 CURRENT LEGISLATION - NURSING

HB 5375 (S-2): Nursing Homes Employing or Contracting with Health Professionals to Provide Medical Treatment to Patients

Amend PHC. Allows a nursing home, regardless of its legal entity status, to provide program of planned and continuing medical treatment. Medical treatment within the Code's definition of "nursing home", includes treatment by a physician/osteopathic physician who is an employee or independent contractor of a nursing home. Require a nursing home to provide a program of planned and continuing nursing care under the charge of a registered nurse. 8-13-14: Referred to the Senate Committee of the Whole recommending Immediate Effect. Awaiting Action.

HB 5376 – HB 5377: Limited Liability Companies and Business Corporations and Services in a Learned Profession to Certain Health Professionals

Amends the Michigan Limited Liability Company (LLC) Act & Business Corporation Act. Provides definitions of a limited liability company and business corporations and of "learned profession" provided by certain health professionals. Exempts services provided to residents of a nursing home by an osteopathic physician, physician, or surgeon, who is an employee or independent contractor of the nursing home. 8-13-14: Referred to Committee of the Whole recommending Immediate Effect. Awaiting Action.

SB 2: Nursing Practice for APRN's

This re-introduced legislation would establish a license and define nursing practice for Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (Nurse Practitioners, Nurse Midwives and Clinical Nurse Specialists). Passed in Senate 11-13-13 with amendments adopted substitute S-1. Referred to House Committee on Health Policy 11-13-13. Hearing scheduled 9-9-14, location and time TBD.

Amendments of SB 2:

1. Addition of two physicians to the APRN task force.
2. If an APRN practices without supervision of a physician, that nurse would be held to a higher standard of acceptable professional practice in the event of a malpractice suit.
3. APRN practices under a physician for four years or would have to serve under the guidance of an APRN that already did so.
4. Ensure an APRN does not organize, become a shareholder or member of a professional corporation or professional limited liability company after the bill becomes effective.

P.A. 276, SB 535: Methamphetamine Abuse Reporting Act

Creates a registry of those having meth-related offenses, generating a stop-sale alert. Those on the registry would be prohibited from purchasing ephedrine or pseudoephedrine. 7-16-14: Signed by Governor with Immediate Effect. Tie-barred with S.B. 756.

SB 938 (S-1): Nursing home patient care policies and compliance procedures

Require establishment based on nationally recognized guidelines or best-practice resources and provide other general amendments. Amends secs. 20155&21734 of 1978 PA 368 (MCL 333.20155 & 333.21734). 8-13-14: Referred to Committee of the Whole with Immediate Effect – Passed. 8-27-14: Referred to House Committee on Health Policy. Awaiting Action..