

# SENATE, No. 523

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY 218th LEGISLATURE

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**Sponsored by:**

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**SYNOPSIS**

Provides that biennial renewal of license or certificate issued by New Jersey Board of Nursing is due on professional's birthday.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



1 AN ACT concerning the New Jersey Board of Nursing and  
2 amending P.L.1972, c.108.

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State  
5 of New Jersey:

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7 1. Section 1 of P.L.1972, c.108 (C.45:1-7) is amended to read  
8 as follows:

9 1. Notwithstanding any of the provisions of Title 45 of the  
10 Revised Statutes or of any other law to the contrary, all professional  
11 or occupational licenses or certificates of registration, except such  
12 licenses or certificates issued to real estate brokers or salesmen  
13 pursuant to chapter 15 of Title 45, which prior to the effective date  
14 of **[this act]** P.L.1972, c.108 were issued for periods not exceeding  
15 one year and were annually renewable, shall, on and after the  
16 effective date of **[this act]** P.L.1972, c.108, be issued for periods of  
17 two years and be biennially renewable, except that licenses and  
18 business permits issued to electrical contractors and certificates of  
19 registration issued to qualified journeymen electricians pursuant to  
20 chapter 5A of Title 45 shall be issued for periods of three years and  
21 be triennially renewable; provided, however, the boards or  
22 commissions in charge of the issuance or renewal of such licenses  
23 or certificates, other than the New Jersey Board of Nursing, may, in  
24 order to stagger the expiration dates thereof, provide that those first  
25 issued or renewed after the effective date of **[this act]** P.L.1972,  
26 c.108, shall expire and become void on a date fixed by the  
27 respective boards or commissions, not sooner than six months nor  
28 later than 29 months, after the date of issue.

29 In the case of licenses and certificates issued by the New Jersey  
30 Board of Nursing, any such license or certificate issued or renewed  
31 after the effective date of P.L. , c. (pending before the  
32 Legislature as this bill) shall expire and become void on the same  
33 calendar day as the holder's date of birth in the second calendar  
34 year following the date on which the license or certificate was  
35 issued. If the holder's date of birth does not correspond to a  
36 calendar day of the year in which the license or certificate expires,  
37 the license or certificate shall expire on the last day of the holder's  
38 birth month in that year.

39 The fees for the respective licenses and certificates of  
40 registration issued pursuant to **[this act]** P.L.1972, c.108 for  
41 periods of less or greater than one year shall be in amounts  
42 proportionately less or greater than the fees established by law.

43 (cf: P.L.2001, c.21, s.1)

**EXPLANATION** – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **[thus]** in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

1       2. This act shall take effect 30 days after the date of enactment  
2 and shall apply only to licenses and certificates issued by the New  
3 Jersey Board of Nursing on and after the effective date.

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STATEMENT

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8       This bill provides that licenses and certificates issued by the New  
9 Jersey Board of Nursing are to expire on the professional's  
10 birthday, rather than on one of two fixed dates, as is the practice  
11 under current law. If the person's birthday does not correspond  
12 with a calendar day in the renewal year, the license or certificate  
13 will expire on the last day of the person's birth month in the  
14 renewal year. Licenses and certificates issued by the New Jersey  
15 Board of Nursing will continue to be valid for two years.

16       The list of professionals licensed or certified through the New  
17 Jersey Board of Nursing includes registered professional nurses,  
18 licensed practical nurses, homemaker-home health aides, advanced  
19 practice nurses, and forensic nurses-certified sexual assault. The  
20 bill will take effect 30 days after the date of enactment and will  
21 apply to any license or certificate issued by the Board of Nursing on  
22 or after that effective date.