
DIGEST

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HB 320 Engrossed

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Abstract: Permits a qualifying nursing student to be licensed or certified in a nursing profession with lesser educational requirements.

Present law states that a licensed practical nurse (LPN) must graduate from an approved LPN program.

Proposed law retains present law and permits a student to register as an LPN if he successfully completes an education program for registered nurses.

Proposed law permits a nursing student who completes a course in the fundamentals of nursing offered by a practical or registered nursing program shall not be required to complete a certified nursing training or competency evaluation program and may register as a certified nurse aide (CNA) in this state.

(Amends R.S. 37:970(3); Adds R.S. 40:2120.52(C))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Health and Welfare to the original bill:

1. Require an applicant to successfully complete either an education program for practical nurses or an education program for registered nurses.
2. Make technical changes.