

Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 1139

An act relating to the Florida Center for Nursing; amending s. 464.0195, F.S.; requiring the Board of Nursing to provide certain information to nurses before they are given the opportunity to contribute to funding the center at licensure renewal; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Subsection (3) of section 464.0195, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

464.0195 Florida Center for Nursing; goals.—

(3) The Board of Nursing shall include on its initial and renewal application forms a question asking each ~~the~~ nurse to voluntarily contribute to funding the Florida Center for Nursing in addition to paying the fees imposed at the time of licensure and licensure renewal. Revenues collected from nurses over and above the required fees shall be transferred from the Medical Quality Assurance Trust Fund to the Grants and Donations Trust Fund within the Department of Health and shall be used solely to support and maintain the goals and functions of the center. Before giving a nurse the opportunity to contribute to funding the center at the time of licensure renewal, the Board of Nursing shall provide the nurse with a summary of the center's work, a link to the center's Internet website, and the following statement: "The Florida Center for Nursing's operating revenues are derived in part from your donation. In order for the Florida Center for Nursing to continue its work on behalf of nurses, please donate."

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009.

Approved by the Governor June 10, 2009.

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