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S.B. NO. 2146

A Bill for an Act Relating to the Center for Nursing.

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

SECTION 1. Section 304A-1404, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

“(b) The dean of the school of nursing and dental hygiene, or the dean’s designee, shall direct the activities of the center for nursing. There shall be an advisory board composed of fifteen members appointed by the governor pursuant to section 26-34 to staggered terms as follows:

- (1) Five members from the business and labor community:
 - (A) One of whom shall represent the Healthcare Association of Hawaii;
 - (B) Two of whom shall represent other business entities; and
 - (C) Two of whom shall represent labor organizations;
- (2) Five members from the nursing profession:
 - (A) One of whom shall represent the American Organization of Nurse Executives;
 - (B) One of whom shall represent the Hawaii Government Employees Association; and
 - (C) Three of whom shall represent the Hawaii Nurses’ Association, ~~[professional component;]~~ provided that:
 - (i) Two members shall represent the professional component; and
 - (ii) One member shall be a non-managerial staff nurse.
- (3) Two members from among the State’s nurse educators:
 - (A) One of whom shall be a doctorally-prepared nurse educator; and
 - (B) The other, a doctorally-prepared nurse researcher; and
- (4) Three members from community agencies or consumer groups with an interest in healthcare.”

SECTION 2. Act 198, Session Laws of Hawaii 2003, is amended by amending section 10 to read as follows:

“SECTION 10. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2003; provided that the amendments made to section 36-27, Hawaii Revised Statutes, by this Act shall not be repealed when that section is reenacted pursuant to Act 142, Session Laws of Hawaii 1998; and provided further that sections 3 and 6 shall be repealed on July 1, ~~[2009.]~~ 2014.”

SECTION 3. The advisory board of the Hawaii center for nursing, established pursuant to section 304A-1404, Hawaii Revised Statutes, shall submit to the legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2009:

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- (1) An interim report on the progress and findings of the five-year longitudinal study currently being conducted by the center regarding new graduate registered nurses turnover and best practices in retention of nurses; and
- (2) A report on funding alternatives that will enable the center to continue its operations and services.

SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2008.

(Approved June 13, 2008.)