

AMENDMENTS TO LB912

(Amendments to Standing Committee amendments, AM2224)

Introduced by Ballard, 21.

1 1. Insert the following new sections:

2 **Sec. 12.** Section 38-1915, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is  
3 amended to read:

4 38-1915 (1)(a) ~~(1)~~ A person licensed by the department, with the  
5 recommendation of the board, as a medical radiographer may practice  
6 medical radiography on any part of the human anatomy for interpretation  
7 by    and under the direction of    a licensed practitioner, including  
8 computed tomography but excluding interpretative fluoroscopic procedures,  
9 and may use fluoroscopy in collaboration ~~conjunction~~ with a certified  
10 registered nurse anesthetist as authorized in section 38-711.

11 (b) A medical radiographer may also utilize fluoroscopy under the  
12 direction of, or in collaboration with, a nurse practitioner pursuant to  
13 section 38-2315.

14 (2) An applicant for a license as a medical radiographer shall:

15 (a) Complete an educational program in radiography approved by the  
16 board pursuant to subsection (1) of section 38-1918;

17 (b) Complete an application in accordance with the Uniform  
18 Credentialing Act; and

19 (c) Successfully complete an examination approved by the board.

20 (3) Presentation of proof of registration in radiography with the  
21 American Registry of Radiologic Technologists is proof of meeting the  
22 requirements of subdivisions (2)(a) and (c) of this section.

23 **Sec. 13.** Section 38-2315, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is  
24 amended to read:

25 38-2315 (1) A nurse practitioner may provide health care services  
26 within specialty areas. A nurse practitioner shall function by

1 establishing collaborative, consultative, and referral networks as  
2 appropriate with other health care professionals. Patients who require  
3 care beyond the scope of practice of a nurse practitioner shall be  
4 referred to an appropriate health care provider.

5 (2) Nurse practitioner practice means health promotion, health  
6 supervision, illness prevention and diagnosis, treatment, and management  
7 of common health problems and acute and chronic conditions, including:

8 (a) Assessing patients, ordering diagnostic tests and therapeutic  
9 treatments, synthesizing and analyzing data, and applying advanced  
10 nursing principles;

11 (b) Dispensing, incident to practice only, sample medications which  
12 are provided by the manufacturer and are provided at no charge to the  
13 patient; and

14 (c) Prescribing therapeutic measures and medications relating to  
15 health conditions within the scope of practice.

16 (3) A nurse practitioner who has proof of a current certification  
17 from an approved certification program in a psychiatric or mental health  
18 specialty may manage the care of patients committed under the Nebraska  
19 Mental Health Commitment Act. Patients who require care beyond the scope  
20 of practice of a nurse practitioner, who has proof of a current  
21 certification from an approved certification program in a psychiatric or  
22 mental health specialty, shall be referred to an appropriate health care  
23 provider.

24 (4) A nurse practitioner may pronounce death and may complete and  
25 sign death certificates and any other forms if such acts are within the  
26 scope of practice of the nurse practitioner and are not otherwise  
27 prohibited by law.

28 (5) A nurse practitioner may perform and utilize fluoroscopy for  
29 procedural guidance and for the performance of authorized duties upon the  
30 nurse practitioner's successful completion of appropriate education and  
31 training as approved jointly by the department and the board. Such

1 education and training shall be in accordance with rules and regulations  
2 adopted and promulgated pursuant to section 71-3508. A nurse practitioner  
3 may also direct fluoroscopy in collaboration with a licensed medical  
4 radiographer.

5       2. Renumber the remaining sections and correct internal references  
6 accordingly.

7       3. Correct the operative date and repealer sections so that the  
8 sections added by this amendment become operative three calendar months  
9 after the adjournment of this legislative session.