

# HOUSE BILL NO. 6490

December 02, 2020, Introduced by Rep. VanWoerkom and referred to the Committee on Government Operations.

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "Public health code," by amending sections 16101 and 17213 (MCL 333.16101 and 333.17213), section 17213 as added by 2007 PA 19.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1           Sec. 16101. (1) For purposes of this article, the words and  
2 phrases defined in sections ~~16102-16103~~ to ~~16109-16109a~~ have the  
3 meanings ascribed to them in those sections **unless the context**  
4 **requires a different meaning.**

1 (2) In addition, article 1 contains general definitions and  
2 principles of construction applicable to all articles in this code.

3 Sec. 17213. (1) Notwithstanding section 16145 or section  
4 16174(1)(c) or rules promulgated ~~pursuant to~~**under** either of those  
5 sections, the board may grant a license to an applicant applying  
6 for initial licensure as a registered professional nurse who is a  
7 graduate of a nurse education program that is located outside of  
8 the United States if he or she meets the requirements of section  
9 16174 and satisfies ~~each~~**both** of the following:

10 (a) Provides verification that the nurse education program  
11 from which he or she graduated is substantially equivalent to the  
12 nursing education programs in this state that are approved by the  
13 board.

14 (b) Has passed the requisite examination for licensure as a  
15 registered professional nurse, as approved by the board.

16 (2) Notwithstanding section 16145 or section 16174(1)(c) or  
17 rules promulgated ~~pursuant to~~**under** either of those sections, the  
18 board may grant a license to an applicant applying for licensure as  
19 a registered professional nurse who is licensed in another state  
20 ~~or, until January 1, 2012, is licensed in a province of Canada and~~  
21 who is a graduate of a nurse education program located outside of  
22 the United States ~~and Canada~~ if he or she meets the requirements of  
23 subsection (1) and provides verification of licensure or  
24 registration in each state, country, jurisdiction, territory, and  
25 province in which he or she is currently licensed or registered or  
26 has been licensed or registered. If the applicant seeking licensure  
27 under this subsection has, for at least 5 years immediately  
28 preceding the application, maintained an active license or  
29 registration in another state with no disciplinary sanctions, then

1 the applicant does not have to provide the verification required  
2 under subsection (1) (a).

3 (3) Notwithstanding section 16145 or section 16174(1)(c) or  
4 rules promulgated under either of those sections, the board may  
5 grant a license to an applicant applying for licensure as a  
6 registered professional nurse who is not licensed in another state  
7 but is licensed or registered in another country and who is a  
8 graduate of a nurse education program located outside of the United  
9 States, if he or she meets the requirements of section 16174 and  
10 meets either of the following:

11 (a) Has passed the certification program examination offered  
12 by the Commission on Graduates of Foreign Nursing Schools or an  
13 equivalent examination as determined by the board.

14 (b) Provides a credential evaluation service report from the  
15 Commission on Graduates of Foreign Nursing Schools or its  
16 equivalent as determined by the board.