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1                                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to nursing; amending s.  
3           464.012, F.S.; requiring that a portion of the  
4           nursing license fee be transferred to the  
5           Florida Center for Nursing Trust Fund; amending  
6           s. 464.0195, F.S.; revising the goals for the  
7           Florida Center for Nursing to include the  
8           development of a survey and the submission of  
9           data; amending s. 464.0196, F.S.; revising the  
10          membership of the board of directors of the  
11          Florida Center for Nursing; revising the terms  
12          of appointment for the board of directors;  
13          amending s. 464.0198, F.S.; providing a  
14          cross-reference to conform to changes made by  
15          the act; providing an effective date.

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

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19           Section 1. Subsection (5) of section 464.012, Florida  
20 Statutes, is amended to read:

21           464.012 Certification of advanced registered nurse  
22 practitioners; fees.--

23           (5) The board shall certify, and the department shall  
24 issue a certificate to, any nurse meeting the qualifications  
25 in this section. The board shall establish an application fee  
26 not to exceed \$100 and a biennial renewal fee not to exceed  
27 \$50. The sum of \$5 from each nursing license fee shall be  
28 transferred to the Florida Center for Nursing Trust Fund for  
29 continuous funding of the center and expanded activities as  
30 needed. The board may ~~is authorized to~~ adopt ~~such~~ other rules

1 as ~~are~~ necessary to administer ~~implement the provisions of~~  
2 this section.

3 Section 2. Section 464.0195, Florida Statutes, is  
4 amended to read:

5 464.0195 Florida Center for Nursing; goals.--

6 (1) There is established the Florida Center for  
7 Nursing to address issues of supply and demand for nursing,  
8 including issues of recruitment, retention, and utilization of  
9 nurse workforce resources. The Legislature finds that the  
10 center will repay the state's investment by providing an  
11 ongoing strategy for the allocation of the state's resources  
12 directed towards nursing.

13 (2) The primary goals for the center shall be to:

14 (a) Develop a strategic statewide plan for nursing  
15 manpower in this state by:

16 1. Establishing and maintaining a database on nursing  
17 supply and demand in the state, to include current supply and  
18 demand, and future projections; ~~and~~

19 2. Developing a survey from the Board of Nursing as  
20 part of each application and biennial renewal as a registered  
21 nurse or licensed practical nurse;

22 3. Submitting survey data to the center for analysis  
23 and workforce planning; and

24 ~~4.2.~~ Selecting from the statewide plan priorities to  
25 be addressed.

26 (b) Convene various groups representative of nurses,  
27 other health care providers, business and industry, consumers,  
28 legislators, and educators to:

29 1. Review and comment on data analysis prepared for  
30 the center;

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1           2. Recommend systemic changes, including strategies  
2 for implementation of recommended changes; and

3           3. Evaluate and report the results of these efforts to  
4 the Legislature and others.

5           (c) Enhance and promote recognition, reward, and  
6 renewal activities for nurses in the state by:

7           1. Promoting nursing excellence programs such as  
8 magnet recognition by the American Nurses Credentialing  
9 Center;

10          2. Proposing and creating additional reward,  
11 recognition, and renewal activities for nurses; and

12          3. Promoting media and positive image-building efforts  
13 for nursing.

14          (3) The Board of Nursing shall include on its initial  
15 and renewal application forms a question asking the nurse to  
16 voluntarily contribute to funding the Florida Center for  
17 Nursing in addition to paying the fees imposed at the time of  
18 licensure and licensure renewal. Revenues collected from  
19 nurses over and above the required fees shall be transferred  
20 from the Medical Quality Assurance Trust Fund to the Florida  
21 Center for Nursing Trust Fund and shall be used solely to  
22 support and maintain the goals and functions of the center.

23          Section 3. Subsections (1) and (2) of section  
24 464.0196, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

25          464.0196 Florida Center for Nursing; board of  
26 directors.--

27          (1) The Florida Center for Nursing shall be governed  
28 by a policy-setting board of directors. The board shall  
29 consist of 16 members, with a simple majority of the board  
30 being nurses representative of various practice areas. Other  
31 members shall include representatives of other health care

1 | professions, business and industry, health care providers, and  
2 | consumers. The members of the board shall be appointed by the  
3 | Governor as follows:

4 |       (a) A registered nurse recommended by the Florida  
5 | Organization of Nurse Executives;

6 |       (b) One representative of the hospital industry  
7 | recommended by the Florida Hospital Association;

8 |       (c) A registered nurse recommended by the Florida  
9 | Nurses Association;

10 |       (d) One representative of the long-term care industry  
11 | recommended by the Florida Health Care Association and the  
12 | Florida Association of Homes for the Aged;

13 |       (e) A dean from a College of Nursing recommended by  
14 | the Florida Association of Colleges of Nursing;

15 |       (f) A director of a nursing program in a community  
16 | college recommended by the Florida Council of Nursing  
17 | Education Administrators;

18 |       (g) Two representatives recommended by the Speaker of  
19 | the House of Representatives;

20 |       (h) Two representatives recommended by the President  
21 | of the Senate;

22 |       (i) Two nurse educators recommended by the  
23 | Commissioner of the Board of Education; and

24 |       (j) Four representatives appointed by the Governor,  
25 | two of whom must be registered nurses.

26 |       ~~(a) Four members recommended by the President of the~~  
27 | ~~Senate, at least one of whom shall be a registered nurse~~  
28 | ~~recommended by the Florida Organization of Nurse Executives~~  
29 | ~~and at least one other representative of the hospital industry~~  
30 | ~~recommended by the Florida Hospital Association;~~

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1           ~~(b) Four members recommended by the Speaker of the~~  
2 ~~House of Representatives, at least one of whom shall be a~~  
3 ~~registered nurse recommended by the Florida Nurses Association~~  
4 ~~and at least one other representative of the long term care~~  
5 ~~industry;~~

6           ~~(c) Four members recommended by the Governor, two of~~  
7 ~~whom shall be registered nurses; and~~

8           ~~(d) Four nurse educators recommended by the State~~  
9 ~~Board of Education, one of whom shall be a dean of a College~~  
10 ~~of Nursing at a state university, one other shall be a~~  
11 ~~director of a nursing program in a state community college.~~

12           (2) All ~~The initial terms of the members shall be~~  
13 appointed to terms of 3 years and a member may not serve more  
14 than 2 consecutive terms. as follows:

15           ~~(a) Of the members appointed pursuant to paragraph~~  
16 ~~(1)(a), two shall be appointed for terms expiring June 30,~~  
17 ~~2005, one for a term expiring June 30, 2004, and one for a~~  
18 ~~term expiring June 30, 2003.~~

19           ~~(b) Of the members appointed pursuant to paragraph~~  
20 ~~(1)(b), one shall be appointed for a term expiring June 30,~~  
21 ~~2005, two for terms expiring June 30, 2004, and one for a term~~  
22 ~~expiring June 20, 2003.~~

23           ~~(c) Of the members appointed pursuant to paragraph~~  
24 ~~(1)(c), one shall be appointed for a term expiring June 30,~~  
25 ~~2005, one for a term expiring June 30, 2004, and two for terms~~  
26 ~~expiring June 30, 2003.~~

27           ~~(d) Of the members appointed pursuant to paragraph~~  
28 ~~(1)(d), the terms of two members recommended by the State~~  
29 ~~Board of Education shall expire June 30, 2005; the term of the~~  
30 ~~member who is a dean of a College of Nursing at a state~~  
31 ~~university shall expire June 30, 2004; and the term of the~~

1 ~~member who is a director of a state community college nursing~~  
2 ~~program shall expire June 30, 2003.~~

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4 ~~After the initial appointments expire, the terms of all the~~  
5 ~~members shall be for 3 years, with no member serving more than~~  
6 ~~two consecutive terms.~~

7 Section 4. Subsection (1) of section 464.0198, Florida  
8 Statutes, is amended to read:

9 464.0198 Florida Center for Nursing Trust Fund.--

10 (1) There is created the Florida Center for Nursing  
11 Trust Fund to be administered by the Department of Health.  
12 Funds provided pursuant to ss. 464.012(5) and s. 464.0195(3)  
13 for the Florida Center for Nursing shall be deposited into  
14 this trust fund. Other funds from grants and donations,  
15 federal funds, or other funds from other sources specified by  
16 law may be deposited into this trust fund and used for  
17 purposes of the Florida Center for Nursing. Moneys deposited  
18 into this trust fund shall be used as provided in s. 464.0195.  
19 The trust fund is exempt from the service charges imposed by  
20 s. 215.20.

21 Section 5. This act shall take effect upon becoming a  
22 law.

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25 SENATE SUMMARY

26 Provides for a portion of the nursing license fee to be  
27 transferred to the Florida Center for Nursing Trust Fund.  
28 Revises the goals for the Florida Center for Nursing.  
29 Revises the membership of the board of directors of the  
30 Florida Center for Nursing. Revises the terms of  
31 appointment for the board of directors.