

By Senator Rich

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to the Florida Center for Nursing;
3 amending s. 464.0195, F.S.; requiring the Department
4 of Health to impose a special fee upon initial
5 licensure and licensure renewal to fund the efforts of
6 the Florida Center for Nursing; providing that the
7 revenues collected as a result of the special fee and
8 revenues collected from nurses who have voluntarily
9 contributed over and above the required fees be
10 transferred from the Medical Quality Assurance Trust
11 Fund to the Grants and Donations Trust Fund; providing
12 an effective date.

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

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

18 464.0195 Florida Center for Nursing; goals.-

19 (3) For the purpose of assuring the continued operation of
20 the Florida Center for Nursing, the department shall impose,
21 upon initial licensure and each licensure renewal, a special fee
22 of \$3.50 per licensee to fund the efforts of the Florida Center
23 for Nursing. The Board of Nursing shall include on its initial
24 and renewal application forms a question asking nurses ~~the nurse~~
25 to voluntarily contribute to funding the Florida Center for
26 Nursing in addition to paying the fees imposed at the time of
27 licensure and licensure renewal. Revenues collected as a result
28 of the special \$3.50 fee required in this subsection and
29 revenues collected from nurses who have been voluntarily

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30 contributed over and above the required fees shall be
31 transferred from the Medical Quality Assurance Trust Fund to the
32 Grants and Donations Trust Fund within the Department of Health
33 and shall be used solely to support and maintain the goals and
34 functions of the center.

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