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An Act to amend the Nurses Registration Act, 1920-1968

[Assented to 17th December, 1970]

BE IT ENACTED by the Governor of the State of South Australia, with the advice and consent of the Parliament thereof, as follows:

Short titles.

- 1. (1) This Act may be cited as the "Nurses Registration Act Amendment Act, 1970".
- (2) The Nurses Registration Act, 1920-1968, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the "Nurses Registration Act, 1920-1970".
- (3) The Nurses Registration Act, 1920-1968, is hereinafter referred to as "the principal Act".

Amendment of principal Act, Arrangement.

2. Section 3 of the principal Act is amended by striking out the passage "Enrolment of Nurse Aides" and inserting in lieu thereof the passage "Enrolment of Nurses".

Amendment of Interpretation.

- 3. Section 4 of the principal Act is amended—
 - (a) by inserting after the definition of "enrolled" the following definition:-

"enrolled nurse" means a person enrolled as a nurse under Part IIIB of this Act:;

(b) by striking out the definition of "nurse aide" and "nurse aides roll";

(c) by inserting after the definition of "nurses register" the following definition:-

> "nurses roll" means the nurses roll kept under Part IIIB of this Act:;

and

- (d) by striking out from the definition of "training school" the passage "nurse aides".
- 4. Section 5 of the principal Act is amended—

Amendment of principal Act, Constitution of

(a) by striking out from subsection (2) the word "ten" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "eleven";

- (b) by striking out the word "Two" from subsection (2) and inserting in lieu thereof the word "Three".
- 5. Section 10a of the principal Act is repealed and the following Repeal of s. 10a of section is enacted and inserted in its place:—

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10a. A member of the board shall, if the Governor so of section in its place determines, be entitled to be paid such fees as may be fixed by Fees. the Governor in relation to that member.

6. Section 17 of the principal Act is amended—

Amendment of

(a) by striking out subsection (1) and inserting in lieu thereof Prevention of the following subsection:—

(1) Where it appears necessary to the board so to do in order to prevent the spread of disease, it may order any person to refrain from practising or acting as a nurse, midwife, psychiatric nurse, mental deficiency nurse, mothercraft nurse or dental nurse, for such period (specified in the order) as the board thinks fit.;

and

- (b) by striking out subsection (3) and inserting in lieu thereof the following subsection:—
 - (3) If a person (whether registered or enrolled under this Act or not) to whom any such order has been given by the board contravenes, or fails to comply with, that order, that person shall be guilty of an offence and liable to a penalty not exceeding two hundred dollars.
- 7. The heading immediately preceding section 33h of the principal Amendment of heading. Act is amended by striking out the passage "NURSE AIDES" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "NURSES".

Amendment of principal Act. s. 33h---Roll of nurses.

- 8. Section 33h of the principal Act is amended—
 - (a) by striking out from subsection (1) the passage "nurse aides to be called "The Nurse Aides Roll" " and inserting in lieu thereof the passage "nurses to be called the "Nurses Roll"";
 - (b) by striking out from subsection (2) the passage "nurse aides" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "nurses";
 - (c) by striking out from subsection (3) the passage "nurse aide" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "nurse";

and

(d) by striking out from subsection (3) the passage "nurse aides" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "nurses".

Repeal of s. 33i of principal Act and enactment of section in Qualification for enrolment

- 9. Section 33i of the principal Act is repealed and the following section is enacted and inserted in its place:-
 - 33i. (1) A person shall, subject to subsection (3) of this section, be entitled to be enrolled as a nurse if—
 - (a) that person was enrolled as a nurse aide immediately before the commencement of the Nurses Registration Act Amendment Act, 1970;

or

- (b) it is proved to the satisfaction of the board that that person-
 - (i) has passed the prescribed examinations held from time to time by examiners appointed under this Act;

and

- (ii) has undergone the prescribed course of training.
- (2) A person entitled to be enrolled as a nurse under paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of this section shall be so enrolled, upon the commencement of the Nurses Registration Act Amendment Act, 1970, without application to the board.
- (3) Where an applicant for enrolment as a nurse has not at any time within the five years immediately preceding the date of the application been enrolled as a nurse, the board may refuse to grant the application until the applicant has satisfactorily completed a refresher course required by the board.

- 10. Section 33j of the principal Act is amended—
 - (a) by striking out subsection (1) and inserting in lieu thereof Enrolment of the following subsection:—
- Amendment of principal Act, s. 33j persons trained outside the State.
 - (1) A person shall be entitled to be enrolled as a nurse if it is proved to the satisfaction of the board that that person has, in some other State or country, passed an examination and undergone a course of training that are in the opinion of the board not inferior in standard to those required in this State.
 - (1a) The board shall not be bound to recognize any qualification under subsection (1) of this section if in the opinion of the board substantially reciprocal treatment would not, in the State or country in which the qualification was obtained, be accorded those who are, or have become entitled to be, enrolled as nurses under this Act.;

and

- (b) by striking out from subsection (2) the word "aide" wherever it occurs.
- 11. Section 33k of the principal Act is amended by striking out Amendment of principal Act, from paragraph (b) the passage "eighteen years" and inserting in *.33klieu thereof the passage "seventeen years".

Conditions of enrolment.

12. Section 331 of the principal Act is repealed and the following Repeal of s. 331 of section is enacted and inserted in its place:—

principal Act and enactment of section in Application of

331. The provisions of sections 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 31, 32 its place and 33 shall apply mutatis mutandis to the enrolment of nurses certain provisions. under this Part.

13. Section 33m of the principal Act is amended by striking out Amendment of Amendm from subsection (1) the word "aide" wherever it occurs and by s. 33mstriking out from paragraph (f) of subsection (1) the passage Cancellation of enrolment. "nurse aides" and inserting in lieu thereof the passage "enrolled nurses".

14. Section 33n of the principal Act is amended by striking out Amendment of principal Act, om subsection (1) and subsection (2) the word "aide" wherever * 33nfrom subsection (1) and subsection (2) the word "aide" wherever it occurs.

Return of

15. Section 38 of the principal Act is amended by striking out Amendment of from subsection (3b) the word "aide" wherever it occurs.

Unlawful use of titles.

Amendment of principal Act, s. 39—

Unauthorized use of badge or uniform. 16. Section 39 of the principal Act is amended by striking out from paragraph (e) of subsection (1) the word "aide" wherever it occurs.

Amendment of principal Act, s. 39a— Nurse's cap. 17. Section 39a of the principal Act is amended by striking out from subsection (2) the passage "as a mothercraft nurse, as a nurse aide or as a dental nurse".

Amendment of principal Act, s. 40— Unlawful holding out.

18. Section 40 of the principal Act is amended by striking out from paragraph v. of subsection (1) the word "aide" wherever it occurs.

Amendment of principal Act, s. 42—
Falsification of register, etc.

19. Section 42 of the principal Act is amended by striking out from paragraph (a) the passage "nurse aides" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "nurses".

Amendment of principal Act, s. 44—
Regulations.

- 20. Section 44 of the principal Act is amended—
 - (a) by striking out from paragraph vb. of subsection (1) the passage "as nurse aides" and inserting in lieu thereof the passage "for enrolment as nurses";
 - (b) by striking out from paragraph xiv. of subsection (1) the passage "nurse aides" and inserting in lieu thereof the passage "enrolled nurses";
 - (c) by striking out from paragraph XVI. of subsection (1) the passage "nurse aides roll" and inserting in lieu thereof the passage "nurses roll";

and

(d) by striking out from paragraph XVII. of subsection (1) the passage "nurse aides" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "nurses".

In the name and on behalf of Her Majesty, I hereby assent to this Bill.

J. W. HARRISON, Governor.