

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

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As Engrossed: S1/23/03
A Bill

SENATE BILL 27

5 By: Senator Gullett
6 By: Representatives Dees, Lendall
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9 **For An Act To Be Entitled**

10 AN ACT TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS NURSE
11 PRACTICE ACT CONCERNING CRIMINAL BACKGROUND
12 CHECKS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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14 **Subtitle**

15 AN ACT TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE
16 ARKANSAS NURSE PRACTICE ACT CONCERNING
17 CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS.
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20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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22 *SECTION 1.* Arkansas Code § 17-87-312(f)(25), concerning criminal acts
23 that would invalidate a nurse's license, is amended to read as follows:

24 (25) ~~Theft~~ Felony theft of property, as prohibited in § 5-36-
25 103;
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27 *SECTION 2.* Arkansas Code § 17-87-312(h)(2), concerning waivers of
28 criminal background checks for purposes of nurse licensure, is amended to
29 read as follows:

30 (2) Circumstances for which a waiver may be granted shall
31 include, but not be limited to, the following:

- 32 (A) The age at which the crime was committed;
33 (B) The circumstances surrounding the crime;
34 (C) The length of time since the crime;
35 (D) Subsequent work history;
36 (E) Employment references;



- 1 (F) Character references; and
- 2 (G) Other evidence demonstrating that the applicant does
- 3 not pose a threat to the health or safety of ~~children~~ the public.
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5 /s/ Gullett

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