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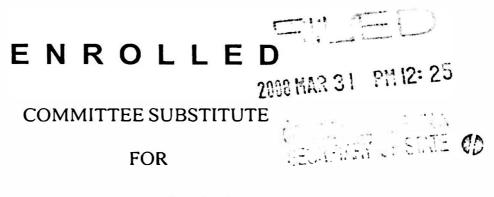
COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR House Bill No. 4036

(By Delegate Moran)

Passed March 7, 2008

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HB 4036



H. B. 4036

(BY DELEGATE MORGAN)

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AN ACT to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §30-34-6a; and to amend and reenact §30-34-9 of said code, all relating to the respiratory care board; authorizing emergency and legislative rules; providing for temporary student permits; and establishing fees for permits.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended by adding thereto a new section, designated §30-34-6a; and that §30-34-9 of said code be amended and reenacted, all to read as follows:

ARTICLE 34. BOARD OF RESPIRATORY CARE PRACTITIONERS.

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§30-34-6a. Rulemaking authority.

1 2 3 4	(a) The board shall propose rules for legislative approval, in accordance with the provisions of article three, chapter twenty-nine-a of this code, to implement the provisions of this article, including:
5 6	(1) Standards and requirements for licensure and permits to practice respiratory care;
7	(2) Procedures for examination and reexamination;
8	(3) Educational and experience requirements;
9	(4) Standards for approval of courses;
10 11	(5) Procedures for the issuance and renewal of licences and temporary permits;
12 13	(6) Procedures which may be delegated to a student practicing under a temporary student permit;
14	(7) A fee schedule;
15	(8) Continuing education requirements for licensees;
16 17	(9) The procedure for denying, suspending, revoking, reinstating or limiting the practice of a licensee or permittee;
18 19	(10) Requirements for inactive or revoked licensees or temporary permits; and
20 21	(11) Any other rules necessary to effectuate the provisions of this article.
22 23	(b) All rules in effect on the effective date of this section remain in effect until they are amended, repealed or replaced.

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24 §30-34-9. Temporary student permits.

(a) Subject to the provisions of subsection (d) of this
section, the board may issue a temporary student permit to
practice respiratory care for a period of up to six months to a
student enrolled in a respiratory care educational program
which is approved by the board if the student submits:

30 (1) A student work permit form signed by the program
31 director and by a principal administrative official of the
32 institution where the program is located;

33 (2) An official transcript indicating successful completion
34 of a minimum of thirty semester hours or the quarter hour
35 equivalent, eighteen of which must be specific to respiratory
36 care core curriculum, and at least two hundred clinical hours;

37 (3) Documentation from the program director and by a
38 principal administrative official of the institution where the
39 program is located stating that the student has successfully
40 completed didactic and clinical competency requirements
41 equal to the first year curriculum and approved by the board;
42 and

43 (4) A signed permit application form and an initial permit44 application fee as prescribed by rule.

(b) A student practicing under a temporary student
permit may work only under the supervision of an employee
of the same department with a minimum Licensed
Respiratory Therapist Certified credential issued by the board
and who is present on the premises and available to the
student at all times.

51 (c) A student practicing under a temporary student 52 permit may not use worked paid hours as a substitute for

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53 clinical rotations required by his or her respiratory care54 educational program.

(d) Upon expiration of the initial permit, the student may
apply for one renewal permit for up to six additional months
by providing documentation from the program director
stating the student is actively enrolled in at least nine
semester hours, and is making satisfactory progress in his or
her respiratory care core curriculum and clinical rotations,
and payment of a renewal fee as prescribed by rule.

62 (e) The board may promulgate emergency rules, pursuant to the provisions of section fifteen, article three, chapter 63 64 twenty-nine-a of this code, to set forth those procedures 65 which may be delegated to a student practicing under a temporary student permit and fees for issuance and renewal 66 of temporary student permits. The board may not issue 67 temporary student permits unless and until the rule authorized 68 69 by this subsection is in effect.

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That Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

Chairman Sengle Committee Mairman House Committee

Originating in the House.

In effect from passage.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates

The within is approved this the 28th day of March 2008. Inc Governor

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