

First Regular Session of the 122nd General Assembly (2021)

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## SENATE ENROLLED ACT No. 7

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AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning professions and occupations.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. IC 25-23-1-1.6 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS** [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021]: **Sec. 1.6. As used in this chapter, "forensic nurse" means a registered nurse licensed under section 11 of this chapter who meets the requirements of section 35 of this chapter.**

SECTION 2. IC 25-23-1-35 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS** [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021]: **Sec. 35. (a) Except as provided in subsection (c), in order for an individual to practice as a forensic nurse, the individual must meet the following requirements:**

- (1) Holds an active license as a registered nurse under this article.**
- (2) Completes a biennial forensic nursing educational program that has either been:**
  - (A) identified by the state department of health's statewide sexual assault nurse examiners (SANE) coordinator and administered by the Indiana SANE training project; or**
  - (B) approved by the board and that is substantially equivalent to a program described in clause (A).**
- (3) Submits to the board a certificate of completion of a program described in subdivision (2).**

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**(b) The board shall determine the criteria and requirements for biennial continuing education for a forensic nurse, taking into consideration programs approved by the state department of health's statewide sexual assault nurse examiners (SANE) coordinator or provided by the Indiana SANE training project. A forensic nurse shall meet the continuing education requirements set by the board under this subsection in order to continue practicing as a forensic nurse.**

**(c) A forensic nurse who is practicing as a forensic nurse on June 30, 2021, is not required to meet the education requirements set forth in subsection (a)(2) until June 30, 2023.**



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President of the Senate

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President Pro Tempore

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

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Governor of the State of Indiana

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