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I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Register and Leader and Des Moines Capital April 6, A. D. 1909.

W. C. HAYWARD,  
*Secretary of State.*

## CHAPTER 157.

### NURSES.

H. F. 405.

AN ACT to amend section twenty-five hundred and seventy-five-a thirty-one (2575-a31) of the supplement to the code, 1907, and to repeal section twenty-five hundred and seventy-five-a twenty-nine (2575-a29) of the supplement to the code, 1907, relative to the qualifications of nurses and enacting a substitute therefor.

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

**SECTION 1. Unlawful practice.** That section twenty-five hundred and seventy-five-a-thirty-one (2575-a-31) of the supplement to the code [1907] be and is hereby amended by striking out the words "graduate or" in line six of said section.

**SEC. 2. Repeal—examining committee—qualifications of applicants.** That section twenty-five hundred and seventy-five-a-twenty-nine (2575-a-29) of the supplement to the code [1907] be repealed and the following enacted in lieu thereof:

"At the annual meeting of the state board of health it shall select two physicians from its own membership, and two registered nurses, residents of this state actively engaged in the practice of nursing, who, together with the secretary of the state board of health, shall constitute the examining committee for the year. The examinations provided for in this act shall be held in the city of Des Moines, in July of each year and at such other times and places as the board of health shall direct. All applicants for certificates to practice nursing shall have attained the age of twenty-one (21) years and shall be of good moral character. They shall be graduates of training schools recognized as being in good standing by the state board of health of Iowa, and shall have received at least two (2) years' instruction in general hospital practice. After July 1, 1910, no training school shall be accredited by the state board of health as a school of recognized standing which is not attached to a general hospital, and which does not have a course of study of at least three (3) years; provided, that all nurses who have had five (5) or more years' training in a general hospital which prior to July 1, 1907, did not issue diplomas to its graduates, shall upon furnishing the board with satisfactory evidence that they were in actual attendance as students at said hospital for a period of not less than three (3) years, shall upon the payment of a fee of ten dollars (\$10.00) be entitled to registration and certificate without examination, provided such nurses were bona fide residents of the state of Iowa and actually engaged therein in the practice of nursing upon the 12th day of March, 1907, and that application for registration shall be filed not later than the 1st day of January, 1910."

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