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14 Elizabeth II

BILL 35

A Bill to amend The Psychiatric Nurses Association Act

HON. DR. ROSS

Explanatory Note

1. This Bill will amend chapter 45 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1963.

2. Section 2, clause (d) presently reads:

- (d) "psychiatric nursing" means the nursing care of persons who are mentally defective, or the nursing care of persons who are subject to or afflicted with mental disease and includes the treatment of such persons under the direction and supervision of a duly qualified medical practitioner;

3. Section 9, subsection (2) reads:

(2) Subject to the approval of the Lieutenant Governor in Council, the council may enter into an agreement with the University of Alberta or other acceptable bodies for the purpose of establishing the academic qualifications for membership and setting examinations for applicants for membership.

4. Section 11, subsection (2), clause (a) presently reads:

- (2) Subject to subsection (3), every person shall be admitted to membership in the association who
 - (a) produces a certificate of qualification issued
 - (i) under The Psychiatric Nurses Training Act, or
 - (ii) by the body with whom an agreement is entered into under subsection (2) of section 9, or
 - (iii) by a school for the instruction of persons in psychiatric nursing approved by the body with whom an agreement is entered into under subsection (2) of section 9,

5. Right to use designation.

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(Assented to _____, 1966)

HER MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Alberta, enacts as follows:

1. *The Psychiatric Nurses Association Act* is hereby amended.

2. Section 2 is amended

(a) by adding the following clause after clause (b) :

(b1) "mentally disordered person" means a person who is suffering from mental illness, mental retardation or any other disorder or disability of the mind;

(b) by striking out clause (d) and by substituting the following:

(d) "psychiatric nursing" means the nursing care of mentally disordered persons under the direction and supervision of a duly qualified medical practitioner;

3. Section 9 is amended by striking out subsection (2).

4. Section 11, subsection (2) is amended by striking out clause (a) and by substituting the following:

(a) produces a certificate in psychiatric nursing issued under *The Psychiatric Nursing Training Act*,

5. Section 12 is amended by adding the following subsection:

(4) A member whose name appears on the register and who is in good standing is entitled to use the designation "Registered Psychiatric Nurse" or the abbreviation "R. Psych. N.".

6. The advisory committee under The Psychiatric Nursing Training Act is authorized to cancel certificates issued under that Act for cause.

7. Section 17 presently reads:

17. (1) Only a member of the association has the right to use the designation "Psychiatric Nurse" or the abbreviation "Psych. N.".

(2) No person other than a member of the association shall take or use the designation "Psychiatric Nurse" or the abbreviation "Psych. N." either alone or in combination with other words, letters or description, to imply that the person is registered under this Act as a member of the association.

8. Section 18 reads in part:

18. No person other than a member of the association shall

9. Section 19, subsection (1) and subsection (2), clause (c) presently read:

19. (1) Sections 17 and 18 do not apply to a person who holds a certificate issued under The Psychiatric Nurses Training Act.

(2) This Act does not affect or apply to the nursing care of a mentally ill person,

.....
(c) by a person enrolled in a school or course of training for the purpose of becoming a psychiatric nurse or a registered nurse or a licensed nursing aide, or

10. Commencement of Act.

6. The following section is added after section 14:

14a. Where the council orders the expulsion of a member of the association pursuant to section 14, it shall report the expulsion and the reasons therefor to the advisory committee under *The Psychiatric Nursing Training Act*.

7. Section 17 is struck out and the following is substituted:

17. No person, other than a member of the association, shall take or use the designation "Registered Psychiatric Nurse" or the abbreviation "R. Psych. N.".

8. Section 18 is amended by striking out the words "member of the association" and by substituting the words "person who holds a certificate issued under *The Psychiatric Nursing Training Act*".

9. Section 19 is amended

- (a) by striking out subsection (1),
- (b) as to subsection (2), clause (c) by adding after the words "registered nurse" the words "or a mental deficiency nurse".

10. This Act comes into force on the day upon which it is assented to.

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