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1 AN ACT Relating to nursing home administrator licensing; and
2 amending RCW 18.52.071.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 18.52.071 and 1992 c 53 s 7 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 The department shall issue a license to any person applying for a
7 nursing home administrator's license after July 1, 1993, who meets the
8 following requirements:

9 (1) Successful completion of the requirements for a baccalaureate
10 degree from a recognized institution of higher learning: PROVIDED,
11 That if education requirements are adopted by the federal government,
12 the board may adopt rules requiring educational qualifications to meet
13 those requirements;

14 (2) Successful completion of a practical experience requirement as
15 determined by the board;

16 (3) Successful completion of examinations administered or approved
17 by the board, or both, which shall be designed to test the candidate's
18 competence to administer a nursing home;

19 (4) At least twenty-one years of age; and

1 (5) Not having engaged in unprofessional conduct as defined in RCW
2 18.130.180 or being unable to practice with reasonable skill and safety
3 as defined in RCW 18.130.170. The board shall establish by rule what
4 constitutes adequate proof of meeting the above requirements.

5 A limited license indicating the limited extent of authority to
6 administer institutions (~~(certified by such)~~) conducted by and for
7 those who rely upon treatment by prayer or spiritual means in
8 accordance with the creed or tenets of any well-recognized church or
9 religious denomination (~~((teaching religious or spiritual means for~~
10 ~~healing through prayer,))~~) shall be issued to individuals demonstrating
11 membership in such church or denomination. However, nothing in this
12 chapter shall be construed to require an applicant (~~(certified)~~)
13 employed by (~~((any well established and generally recognized church or~~
14 ~~religious denomination teaching reliance on spiritual means alone))~~)
15 such institution to demonstrate proficiency in any medical techniques
16 or to meet any medical educational qualifications or medical standards
17 not in accord with the remedial care and treatment provided in such
18 institutions.

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