

ACT 103

S.B. NO. 509

A Bill for an Act Relating to Nursing Home Administrators.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. Chapter 457B, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

“§457B- Limited and temporary licenses. The board of examiners of nursing home administrators may issue a limited and temporary license to an applicant who has not been examined as required by section 457B-6, if the applicant is otherwise qualified to be examined. Such a license shall be effective only until the next licensure examination process has been completed.”

SECTION 2. Section 457B-3.1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (b), to read as follows:

“(b) The rules of the board regarding the education required of an applicant for licensure shall:

- (1) Require a baccalaureate degree from an accredited institution of higher education; provided that the board shall seek the advice of the University of Hawaii, office of admissions, regarding the college or University’s accreditation, and that the board shall approve any degree recognized by the University of Hawaii.
- (2) The board may exempt an applicant from completing the currently approved nursing home administrator’s correspondence course if the board determines that the applicant’s baccalaureate or post-baccalau-

reate formal education has imparted the knowledge and skills taught in the course.

- (3) The board may exempt an applicant from the requirements of paragraph (1) if the board determines that:
- (A) Within the ten years immediately preceding the application, the applicant has served for at least eight years at the level of an assistant administrator (or its functional equivalent) in a nursing home; and
 - (B) At least five administrators currently licensed under this chapter recommend in writing to the board that the applicant be allowed to sit for the licensing examination.”

SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.¹

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved May 19, 1989.)

Note

1. Edited pursuant to HRS §23G-16.5.