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By Mr. DiCarlo, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 657) of Robert F. Donovan, Joseph J. C. DiCarlo and another for legislation to require the Board of Registration in Nursing to permit nurses licensed in other jurisdictions to practice in institutions of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Health Care.

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-Five.

AN ACT REQUIRING THE BOARD OF REGISTRATION IN NURSING TO PERMIT NURSES LICENSED IN OTHER JURISDICTIONS TO PRACTICE IN INSTITUTIONS OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 Section 76A of chapter 112 is hereby amended by deleting  
2 the words "may, at its discretion," as found in the first line of  
3 said section and by substituting the word "shall" in its place,  
4 so that the section shall now read as follows:

5 "The board shall certify as authorized to practice profes-  
6 sional nursing any person who furnishes proof, satisfactory to  
7 the board, that he was graduated from an approved school  
8 of nursing and that he was registered to practice professional  
9 nursing in another jurisdiction. Such certification (1) shall  
10 be valid for one year only from the date of the issuance of a  
11 certificate thereof, but may be renewed for not more than one  
12 additional consecutive year, (2) shall be subject to such rules  
13 and regulations as the board may prescribe, including the re-  
14 quirement that such certificate holders shall practice under  
15 the supervision of a registered nurse and (3) shall, notwith-  
16 standing the provisions of section eighty, entitle such certif-  
17 icate holder to engage in the practice of nursing, subject to  
18 such limitations upon the capacity in which he may practice  
19 as the board may prescribe, while such certification or ren-  
20 newal is in effect, but only in hospitals or other health care  
21 institutions licensed by the commonwealth, in hospitals main-

22 tained by the federal government, the commonwealth or any  
 23 of its political subdivisions, or in conjunction with other pub-  
 24 lic health agencies. The fee for certification under this sec-  
 25 tion shall be thirty dollars and for renewal eight dollars.