

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0316

Nursing-religious exclusions.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Miller

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to nurses; providing an exemption for a
2 person who cares for the sick in accordance with certain
3 religious practices; and providing for an effective date.

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5 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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7 **Section 1.** W.S. 33-21-154(b)(i), (ii) and by creating
8 a new paragraph (iii) is amended to read:

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10 **33-21-154. Exemptions.**

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12 (b) Nothing in this act shall be construed as:

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14 (i) Restricting the practice, services or
15 activities of any person licensed under this title while
16 practicing within the scope of practice provided in the
17 person's licensure act under this title; ~~or~~

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(ii) Prohibiting or regulating the delegation of functions within the scope of practice by any person other than a nurse licensed pursuant to this title provided that the delegation does not violate the act under which the person is licensed and provided that the board of nursing may discipline anyone licensed pursuant to this act for accepting any delegation that is beyond the person's scope of practice as defined by this act and that presents a danger of harm to a patient;~~÷~~ or

(iii) Applying to a person who cares for the sick in accordance with the practice or tenets of any church or religious denomination which teaches reliance upon spiritual means through prayer for healing, and who does not hold himself out to the public to be a certified nursing assistant (CNA), licensed practical nurse (LPN), registered nurse (RN) or advanced practice nurse (APRN).

Section 2. This act is effective July 1, 2007.

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