

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.

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As Engrossed: S2/22/23
A Bill

SENATE BILL 301

By: Senator K. Hammer

By: Representatives Bentley, Cavanaugh, Vaught, *Wardlaw*

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO SET CERTAIN AMOUNTS OF CLINICAL HOURS FOR
NURSING STUDENTS IN CERTAIN DEGREE PROGRAMS; AND FOR
OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO SET CERTAIN AMOUNTS OF CLINICAL HOURS
FOR NURSING STUDENTS IN CERTAIN DEGREE
PROGRAMS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 61, Subchapter 1, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

6-61-142. Nursing program clinical hour equity.

A nursing program shall not exceed the following maximum amounts of direct patient care hospital clinical hours for nursing students:

(1) For a licensed practical nursing program, five hundred (500) clinical hours;

(2) For an associate's degree nursing program, four hundred fifty (450) clinical hours;

(3) For a Bachelor of Science in Nursing program, six hundred (600) clinical hours; and

(4) For master's or doctoral nursing programs, an amount of clinical hours as set by accrediting standards.

/s/K. Hammer

