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Bill Ritter, Jr.
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Nursing Pilot Program Implementation Committee

On Tuesday, May 6th, Governor Bill Ritter signed Senate Bill 188, concerning the establishment of a pilot program for Colorado hospitals to collaborate with direct-care nurses in order to model professional nursing practice involvement in issues of importance to nursing, into law.

Among other things, the bill establishes a pilot program implementation committee to formulate guiding principles for the purpose of developing and implementing a pilot program for hospitals and their direct-care nurses to model professional nursing practice involvement in the decision-making processes in planning for staffing and issues of importance to nursing.

The Governor has two appointments to this Committee, as follows:

- Two members appointed by the Governor who are at-large nurses and have no known affiliation with another group represented on the committee.

Therefore, the Governor's appointments MAY NOT belong to any of the following groups if they are already represented on the Committee:

- Statewide association representing hospitals;
- Professional nursing organization
- Labor organization that represents workers in the service industry who are direct-care nurses;
- Organization of nurse leaders;
- Nursing education organization;
- Colorado Dept. of Public Health and Environment;
- Organization that promotes nursing excellence and professional and educational opportunities for nurses in Colorado.

The GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS is now accepting applications for this board. **The application deadline for this board is FRIDAY, JUNE 6, 2008.**

If you are interested in applying for this board, please complete and submit the general Boards and Commissions application, along with a cover letter and current resume to the Office of Boards and Commissions.