

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the State Board of Nursing shall certify all medication assistants listed on the registry for medication assistants on or before October 1, 2004, as medication technicians under this Act.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the State Board of Nursing shall consult with any group that expresses an interest in being included in developing regulations to implement this Act.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2004.

Approved May 26, 2004.

---

## CHAPTER 456

### (House Bill 602)

AN ACT concerning

**State Board of Nursing – Nursing Assistants and Medication Technicians –  
Certification Miscellaneous Provisions**

FOR the purpose of altering the number of members on the State Board of Nursing Rehabilitation Committee; requiring that a registered nurse with expertise in pain management be a member of the rehabilitation committee; authorizing the Board to conduct a demonstration study to evaluate certain changes to certain nursing practice regulations; providing for the purpose of demonstration studies; requiring the Board to approve the demonstration study design and to select the testing facilities; authorizing the Board to waive certain requirements during a demonstration study; requiring an individual to be certified by the State Board of Nursing Board before practicing as a medication technician, using certain titles, and making certain representations; making a certain exception certain exceptions to the requirement for certification as a medication technician; requiring the Board to set certain fees relating to the certification of medication technicians; requiring certain funds to revert to the General Fund; requiring the Board to adopt certain regulations; establishing certain qualifications that an individual must meet to qualify for certain certificates; repealing a certain procedure for granting a nursing assistant certificate by waiver; establishing procedures for the certification of medication technicians and the issuance and renewal of medication technician certificates; altering certain requirements for the renewal of a nursing assistant certificate; requiring certain certificate holders to notify the Board in a certain manner and within a certain time period after a certain change has occurred; authorizing the Board to impose a certain administrative penalty on certain certificate holders under certain circumstances; requiring the Board to pay certain penalties to the General Fund of the State; authorizing the Board to impose a certain fine on a certified medication technician; establishing grounds for the denial of a medication technician certificate and the discipline of certified medication technicians; authorizing the Board to deny, suspend, or revoke certain