MR. CHAIRMAN:

I move to amend SB 134, as amended by House Committee, on page 1, in line 12, before "K.S.A." by inserting "On January 1, 2012,";

On page 2, in line 22, before "K.S.A." by inserting "On January 1, 2012,"; in line 40, before "K.S.A." by inserting "On January 1, 2012,";

On page 4, in line 1, before "K.S.A." by inserting "On January 1, 2012,";

On page 6, in line 20, before "K.S.A." by inserting "On January 1, 2012,";

On page 7, in line 6, before "K.S.A." by inserting "On January 1, 2012,";

On page 9, in line 14, before "K.S.A." by inserting "On January 1, 2012,";

On page 10, in line 23, before "K.S.A." by inserting "On January 1, 2012,";

On page 11, in line 19, before "K.S.A." by inserting "On January 1, 2012,";

On page 13, in line 2, before "K.S.A." by inserting "On January 1, 2012,"; in line 22, before "K.S.A." by inserting "On January 1, 2012,";

On page 14, in line 3, before "K.S.A." by inserting "On January 1, 2012,";

On page 15, in line 31, before "K.S.A." by inserting "On January 1, 2012,";

On page 18, in line 5, before "K.S.A." by inserting "On January 1, 2012,";

On page 19, in line 12, before "K.S.A." by inserting "On January 1, 2012, in line 27, before "K.S.A." by inserting "On January 1, 2012,";

On page 20, in line 40, before "K.S.A." by inserting "On January 1, 2012,";

On page 29, in line 14, before "K.S.A." by inserting "On January 1, 2012,";

On page 30, in line 10, before "K.S.A." by inserting "On January 1, 2012,";
On page 33, in line 40, before "K.S.A." by inserting "On January 1, 2012,";
On page 35, in line 11, before "K.S.A." by inserting "On January 1, 2012,";
On page 37, in line 23, before "K.S.A." by inserting "On January 1, 2012,";
On page 38, in line 26, before "K.S.A." by inserting "On January 1, 2012,";
On page 40, in line 20, before "K.S.A." by inserting "On January 1, 2012,";
On page 42, in line 28, before "K.S.A." by inserting "On January 1, 2012,";
On page 43, in line 19, before "K.S.A." by inserting "On January 1, 2012,";
On page 44, in line 1, before "K.S.A." by inserting "On January 1, 2012,";
On page 45, in line 25, before "K.S.A." by inserting "On January 1, 2012,"; in line 38, before "K.S.A." by inserting "On January 1, 2012,";
On page 47, in line 3, before "K.S.A." by inserting "On January 1, 2012,";
On page 48, in line 16, before "K.S.A." by inserting "On January 1, 2012,";
On page 50, in line 12, before "K.S.A." by inserting "On January 1, 2012,";
On page 54, in line 28, before "K.S.A." by inserting "On January 1, 2012,";
On page 55, in line 34, before "K.S.A." by inserting "On January 1, 2012,";
On page 56, in line 15, before "K.S.A." by inserting "On January 1, 2012,";
On page 57, in line 25, before "K.S.A." by inserting "On January 1, 2012,";
On page 58, in line 5, before "K.S.A." by inserting "On January 1, 2012,"; after line 18, by inserting the following:

"Sec. 41.  K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 65-1117 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-1117. (a) All licenses issued under the provisions of this act, whether initial or renewal, shall expire every two years.
The expiration date shall be established by the rules and regulations of the board. The board shall send a notice for renewal of license to every registered professional nurse and licensed practical nurse at least 60 days prior to the expiration date of such person's license. Every person so licensed who desires to renew such license shall file with the board, on or before the date of expiration of such license, a renewal application together with the prescribed biennial renewal fee. Every licensee who is no longer engaged in the active practice of nursing may so state by affidavit and submit such affidavit with the renewal application. An inactive license may be requested along with payment of a fee which shall be fixed by rules and regulations of the board. Except for the first renewal for a license that expires within 30 months following licensure examination or for renewal of a license that expires within the first nine months following licensure by reinstatement or endorsement, every licensee with an active nursing license shall submit with the renewal application evidence of satisfactory completion of a program of continuing nursing education required by the board. The board by duly adopted rules and regulations shall establish the requirements for such program of continuing nursing education. Continuing nursing education means learning experiences intended to build upon the educational and experiential bases of the registered professional and licensed practical nurse for the enhancement of practice, education, administration, research or theory development to the end of improving the health of the public. Upon receipt of such application, payment of fee, upon receipt of the evidence of satisfactory completion of the required program of continuing nursing education and upon being satisfied that the applicant meets the requirements set forth in K.S.A. 65-1115 or 65-1116 and amendments thereto in effect at the time of initial licensure of the applicant, the board shall verify the accuracy of the application and grant a renewal license.

(b) Any person who fails to secure a renewal license within the time specified herein may secure a reinstatement of such lapsed license by making verified application therefor on a form provided by the board, by rules and regulations, and upon furnishing proof that the applicant is
competent and qualified to act as a registered professional nurse or licensed practical nurse and by satisfying all of the requirements for reinstatement including payment to the board of a reinstatement fee as established by the board. A reinstatement application for licensure will be held awaiting completion of such documentation as may be required, but such application shall not be held for a period of time in excess of that specified in rules and regulations.

(c) Any person whose license as a registered professional nurse has lapsed for a period of more than five years beyond its expiration date and who has been employed for at least four of the last five years in an allied health profession which employment required substantially comparable patient care to that of care provided by a registered professional nurse may apply for reinstatement as a registered professional nurse and shall not be required to complete a refresher course as established by the board, but shall be reinstated as a registered professional nurse by the board upon application to the board for reinstatement of such license on a form provided by the board, upon presentation to the board of an affidavit from such person detailing such person’s work history, upon determination by the board that the work history with regard to patient care is substantially comparable to patient care provided by a registered professional nurse, upon determination by the board that such person is otherwise qualified to be licensed as a registered professional nurse and upon paying to the board the reinstatement fee established by the board.

(d) (1) Each licensee shall notify the board in writing of (A) a change in name or address within 30 days of the change or (B) a conviction of any felony or misdemeanor, that is specified in rules and regulations adopted by the board, within 30 days from the date the conviction becomes final.

(2) As used in this subsection, "conviction" means a final conviction without regard to whether the sentence was suspended or probation granted after such conviction. Also, for the purposes of this subsection, a forfeiture of bail, bond or collateral deposited to secure a defendant's appearance in court, which forfeiture has not been vacated, shall be equivalent to a conviction. Failure to so notify the
board shall not constitute a defense in an action relating to failure to renew a license, nor shall it constitute a defense in any other proceeding.

Sec. 42. K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 65-1117 is hereby repealed."

And renumbering the remaining sections accordingly;

Also on page 58, in line 19, before "K.S.A." by inserting "On January 1, 2012,"; in line 27, by striking all before "its"; also in line 27, by striking "statute book" and inserting "Kansas register"; 

On page 1, in the title, in line 1, following the semicolon where it appears for the second time, by inserting "renewal of licenses; in line 5, following "65-468," by inserting "65-1117,"

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