

1 AN ACT concerning safety.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Radiation Protection Act of 1990 is amended
5 by changing Section 6 as follows:

6 (420 ILCS 40/6) (from Ch. 111 1/2, par. 210-6)

7 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2027)

8 Sec. 6. Accreditation of administrators of radiation;
9 Limited scope accreditation; Rules and regulations; Education.

10 (a) The Agency shall promulgate such rules and regulations
11 as are necessary to establish accreditation standards and
12 procedures, including a minimum course of education and
13 continuing education requirements in the administration of
14 radiation to human beings, which are appropriate to the
15 classification of accreditation and which are to be met by all
16 physician assistants, advanced practice registered nurses,
17 nurses, technicians, or other assistants who administer
18 radiation to human beings under the supervision of a person
19 licensed under the Medical Practice Act of 1987. Such rules
20 and regulations may provide for different classes of
21 accreditation based on evidence of national certification,
22 clinical experience or community hardship as conditions of
23 initial and continuing accreditation. The rules and

1 regulations of the Agency shall be consistent with national
2 standards in regard to the protection of the health and safety
3 of the general public.

4 (b) The rules and regulations shall also provide that
5 persons who have been accredited by the Agency, in accordance
6 with the Radiation Protection Act, without passing an
7 examination, will remain accredited as provided in Section 43
8 of this Act and that those persons may be accredited, without
9 passing an examination, to use other equipment, procedures, or
10 supervision within the original category of accreditation if
11 the Agency receives written assurances from a person licensed
12 under the Medical Practice Act of 1987, that the person
13 accredited has the necessary skill and qualifications for such
14 additional equipment procedures or supervision. The Agency
15 shall, in accordance with subsection (c) of this Section,
16 provide for the accreditation of nurses, technicians, or other
17 assistants, unless exempted elsewhere in this Act, to perform
18 a limited scope of diagnostic radiography procedures of the
19 chest, the extremities, skull and sinuses, or the spine, while
20 under the supervision of a person licensed under the Medical
21 Practice Act of 1987.

22 (c) The rules or regulations promulgated by the Agency
23 pursuant to subsection (a) shall establish standards and
24 procedures for accrediting persons to perform a limited scope
25 of diagnostic radiography procedures. The rules or regulations
26 shall specify that an individual seeking accreditation for

1 limited diagnostic radiography shall not apply ionizing
2 radiation to human beings until the individual has passed an
3 Agency-approved examination and is accredited by the Agency.

4 ~~The rules or regulations shall require persons seeking limited~~
5 ~~scope accreditation to register with the Agency as a~~
6 ~~"student in training," and declare those procedures in which~~
7 ~~the student will be receiving training. The~~
8 ~~student in training registration shall be valid for a period~~
9 ~~of 16 months, during which the time the student may, under the~~
10 ~~supervision of a person licensed under the Medical Practice~~
11 ~~Act of 1987, perform the diagnostic radiography procedures~~
12 ~~listed on the student's registration. The student in training~~
13 ~~registration shall be nonrenewable.~~

14 For an individual ~~Upon expiration of the 16 month training~~
15 ~~period, the student shall be prohibited from performing~~
16 ~~diagnostic radiography procedures unless accredited by the~~
17 ~~Agency to perform such procedures. In order to be accredited~~
18 ~~to perform a limited scope of diagnostic radiography~~
19 ~~procedures, he or she ~~an individual~~ must pass an examination~~
20 approved ~~offered~~ by the Agency. The examination shall be
21 consistent with national standards in regard to protection of
22 public health and safety. The examination shall consist of a
23 standardized component covering general principles applicable
24 to diagnostic radiography procedures and a clinical component
25 specific to the types of procedures for which accreditation is
26 being sought. The Agency may assess a reasonable fee for such

1 examinations to cover any ~~the~~ costs incurred by the Agency in
2 conjunction with ~~offering~~ the examinations.

3 (d) The Agency shall by rule or regulation exempt from
4 accreditation physician assistants, advanced practice
5 registered nurses, nurses, technicians, or other assistants
6 who administer radiation to human beings under supervision of
7 a person licensed to practice under the Medical Practice Act
8 of 1987 when the services are performed on employees of a
9 business at a medical facility owned and operated by the
10 business. Such exemption shall only apply to the equipment,
11 procedures and supervision specific to the medical facility
12 owned and operated by the business.

13 (Source: P.A. 100-513, eff. 1-1-18.)