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MEMORANDUM

TO: Rules Review Subcommittee of the Senate Health & Welfare Committee and the House Health & Welfare Committee

FROM: Legislative Research Analyst - Elizabeth Bowen

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SUBJECT: Board of Nursing

IDAPA 23.01.01 - Rules of the Idaho Board of Nursing - Proposed Rule (Docket No. 23-0101-1501)

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The Board of Nursing submits notice of two proposed rules at IDAPA 23.01.01.

The **first proposed rule** establishes standards and criteria to demonstrate competence for nurses seeking to renew their licenses. These standards and criteria include requirements for:

- Professional practice;
- Continuing education; and
- Professional engagement, such as research, teaching, or volunteer activities related to nursing.

Negotiated rulemaking was conducted. There is no negative fiscal impact on the state general fund. The Board states that this rulemaking is authorized pursuant to Section 54-1404, Idaho Code.

The **second proposed rule** updates and clarifies provisions relating to registered nurses with a nursing specialty, such as emergency nursing, orthopedic nursing, or pediatric nursing. These provisions help to define the functions that such nurses may carry out and also prescribe the conditions under which nurses may carry out specialty functions.

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cc: Board of Nursing
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