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service for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1899, and for other purposes" (30 Stat. 369), as amended by the Act of March 18, 1940 (54 Stat. 54), and as further amended by the Act of March 17, 1941 (55 Stat. 43), is hereby further amended so that the last paragraph of the appropriation for the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery (30 Stat. 380) shall read as follows:

34 U. S. C. § 21; Supp. V, § 21.

"The President is hereby authorized to appoint for temporary service two hundred and fifty acting assistant surgeons, who shall have the rank and compensation of assistant surgeons: *Provided*, That not more than two hundred and fifty of such acting assistant surgeons may be serving in the naval service at any one time: *Provided further*, That the Secretary of the Navy, in time of war or declared national emergency, may appoint, for temporary service with the compensation of assistant surgeons, such acting assistant surgeons as the exigencies of the service may require."

Appointment of acting assistant surgeons.

Approved August 8, 1946.

[CHAPTER 885]

AN ACT

August 8, 1946
[S. 2408]
[Public Law 678]

To amend the Act of February 9, 1907, as amended, with respect to certain fees.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the first sentence of section 4 of the Act of February 9, 1907, entitled "An Act to define the term 'registered nurse' and to provide for the registration of nurses in the District of Columbia", as amended (D. C. Code, sec. 2–404), is amended to read as follows:

Registration of nurses, D. C.
34 Stat. 888.

"SEC. 4. That every nurse desiring to register in the District of Columbia shall make application to the nurses' examining board for examination and registration, and at the time of making such application shall pay to the treasurer of said board $15."

Application.

SEC. 2. That the first sentence of section 9 of the Act entitled "An Act to define the term 'registered nurse' and to provide for the registration of nurses in the District of Columbia", as amended (D. C. Code, sec. 2–408), is amended by substituting, in lieu thereof, the following:

34 Stat. 889.

"SEC. 9. That all expenses incident to the execution of the provisions of this Act shall be paid from fees collected (a) from schools of nursing, (b) from registration or reregistration of nurses, and (c) from the following services—

Payment of expenses from fees.

"(1) for repeat examinations of nurses;

"(2) for the evaluation of each high-school record of a candidate for admission to a school of nursing;

"(3) for verification of records;

"(4) for a duplicate certificate of registration upon proof acceptable to the nurses' examining board that the original certificate has been lost or destroyed;

"(5) for duplicate annual registration cards;

"(6) for mailing a certificate of registration a second time if no notification of change of address has been made; and

"(7) for proctoring examination for out-of-State applicants when the examination is held at a time other than the regular examination of the District of Columbia. The fees referred to in clause (c) shall be reasonable fees fixed by the nurses' examining board, subject to the approval of the Commissioners of the District of Columbia."

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