

2. Disposes of the ~~complaint~~ ALLEGATION within 60 days of the date of receipt of the ~~complaint~~ ALLEGATION; OR

3. ~~MAKES A DETERMINATION THAT THE COMPLAINT AN AFFIRMATIVE DETERMINATION THAT ANY ACTION THAT THE BOARD MAY TAKE AS A RESULT OF THE INVESTIGATION INTO THE ALLEGATION WILL MOST LIKELY NOT RESULT IN FORMAL DISCIPLINARY ACTION AGAINST THE LICENSED PODIATRIST, BUT THE BOARD CANNOT DISPOSE OF THE COMPLAINT WITHIN 60 DAYS; AND~~

~~(ii) Notify (iii) PERIODICALLY NOTIFY, at least every 3 months, the licensed podiatrist and ALL PERSONS OF INTEREST OF the complainant as to the status of any outstanding complaint STATUS OF THE ALLEGATION UNTIL SUCH TIME AS THE ALLEGATION IS RESOLVED; and~~

~~(iii) (4) Conduct an unannounced inspection of the office of a podiatrist, other than an office of a podiatrist in a hospital, related institution, freestanding medical facility, or a freestanding birthing center, to determine compliance at that office with the Centers for Disease Control's guidelines on universal precautions.~~

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1998.

Approved May 12, 1998.

CHAPTER 393

(Senate Bill 445)

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Nursing - Nursing Assistants - Certification

FOR the purpose of requiring an individual to be certified by the State Board of Nursing before practicing as a nursing assistant, using certain titles, and making certain representations; making certain exceptions; requiring the State Board of Nursing to adopt certain regulations; establishing procedures for the certification of nursing assistants and the issuance and renewal of nursing assistant certificates; ~~authorizing~~ requiring the State Board of Nursing to waive certain qualifications for certification as a nursing assistant under specified circumstances; establishing grounds for the denial of certificates and the discipline of certificate holders; establishing certain penalties; requiring the State Board of Nursing to appoint a certain advisory committee; requiring the State Board of Nursing to take certain actions relating to the approval of nursing assistant training programs; establishing certain requirements for nursing assistant training programs; requiring certain individuals to submit to certain examinations under specified circumstances; requiring the State Board of Nursing to disclose certain information to certain officials; ~~altering a certain provision of law authorizing the use of certain titles by unlicensed individuals;~~