

# Nurse

## Definition

A person trained to care for the sick or infirm, especially in a hospital.

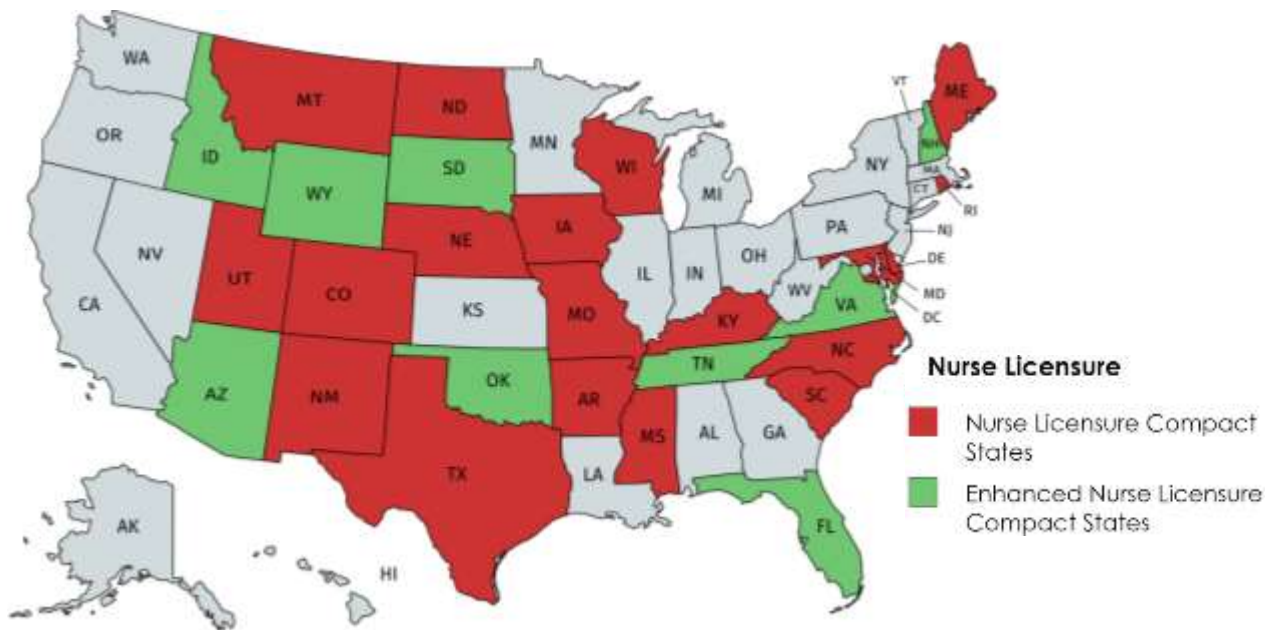
## What LB 342 does

Nebraska is one of 25 states that allow nurses to have one multistate license, with the ability to practice in both their home state and other compact states. This legislation would amend sections of the Nurse Practice Act to streamline licensure for military spouses and provide updated language for adoption of the Enhanced Nurse Licensure Compact (eNLC).

## State Specific Information

In 2000, the National Council of State Boards of Nursing launched an initiative to expand the mobility of nurses. Currently, there are 25 states that are participating in the compact. Nebraska became part of the compact in 2001.

Since the original compact's inception in 2000, it has undergone significant revisions, resulting in new model legislation to supersede the current statute. The new eNLC becomes effective when no less than 26 states have enacted legislation or on December 31, 2018. To date, 9 of the 25 states in the current compact have enacted the eNLC legislation. The proposed language would repeal the current NLC (of which Nebraska is a member) and adopt the new eNLC.



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