

**Agenda Item # 7.4**

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**Consideration of Proposed Amendment to § 223.1 (Fees), Relating to Reduction  
in Renewal Fees for RNs and LVNs**

The Staff is requesting that the Board reduce the renewal fees for Registered and Vocational Nurses from \$67 to \$65 (RNs) and from \$58 to \$55 (LVNs) due to a \$4.75 reduction in the fee for an FBI fingerprint-based criminal background check and the increased income from a higher number of RNs and LVNs renewing their licenses. Any excess funds collected from licensees go into the general revenue fund. Staff requests that § 223.1 be amended to reflect this change.

**Staff recommendation:**

The Board move to propose the amendment to section 223.1, relating to fees, and publish in the *Texas Register* for a 30-day comment period. If no comments are received in response to the fee change, adopt the amendment as proposed.

**§ 223.1. Fees.**

(a) The Texas Board of Nursing has established reasonable and necessary fees for the administration of its functions.

(1) - (2) (No change.)

(3) Licensure renewal (each biennium):

(A) Registered Nurse (RN): ~~\$65~~; ~~\$67~~; and

(B) Licensed Vocational Nurse (LVN): ~~\$55~~; ~~\$58~~;

(4) - (23) (No change.)

(b) (No change.)