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Sen. Prentiss, Dist 5
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Floor Amendment to HB 85-FN

1 Amend the bill by replacing section 3 with the following:

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3 3 New Section; Respiratory Care Practice; Temporary Licensure for Student Respiratory
4 Therapists. Amend RSA 326-E by inserting after section 3 the following new section:

5 326-E:3-a Temporary Licensure for Student Respiratory Therapists.

6 I. A student enrolled in a respiratory care educational program may apply for a temporary
7 student license in accordance with rules adopted by the executive director, in consultation with the
8 advisory board, pursuant to RSA 541-A. The student may only apply for licensure if he or she has
9 fulfilled the didactic and clinical practicum educational requirements for his or her first full year.
10 Such license shall only be valid for a maximum of 18 months from the date of issue or 6 months from
11 the date of graduation, whichever is shorter.

12 II. The scope of practice of the student respiratory therapist is limited to those activities for
13 which there is documented evidence of competency and only noncritical care procedures as defined
14 by rule in consultation with and approval by the advisory board, pursuant to RSA 541-A.

15 III. A student who has obtained a temporary student license and who is employed in a
16 healthcare setting may render respiratory care services only under the direct supervision of an on-
17 site licensed respiratory care practitioner for a period of 2 months following the date of hire. After
18 the 2 months of direct supervision have been completed, the student may render respiratory care
19 services under the supervision of an on-site licensed physician, licensed respiratory care practitioner,
20 advanced practice registered nurse, or physician assistant, as defined by rule in consultation with
21 and approval by the advisory board, pursuant to RSA 541-A.