

110th CONGRESS

1st Session

S. 73

IDENTIFIES THE CONGRESS & WHICH SESSION

BILL #

To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for patient protection by establishing minimum nurse staffing ratios at certain Medicare providers, and for other purposes.

GENERAL OVERVIEW & DESCRIPTION

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

HOUSE OF ORIGINATION

January 4, 2007

DATE INTRODUCED

Mr. REID (for Mr. INOUE) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

SPONSOR(S)

A BILL

TYPE OF LEGISLATIVE MEASURE

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

ENACTING CLAUSE

**SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

This Act may be cited as the 'Registered Nurse Safe Staffing Act of 2007'.

TITLE

**SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

Congress makes the following findings:

LEGISLATIVE PURPOSE / INTENT

**SEC. 3. ESTABLISHMENT OF MINIMUM STAFFING RATIOS BY MEDICARE PARTICIPATING HOSPITALS.**

[TEXT] - Requirements, Limitations, Responsibilities, Penalties, Protections, and Definitions

BODY OF BILL

(c) Effective Date- The amendments made by this section shall take effect on January 1, 2008.

EFFECTIVE DATE