

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2554 Session of
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INTRODUCED BY VEON, COWELL, JAROLIN, TRELLO, KOSINSKI, OLASZ,
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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND WELFARE, MARCH 25, 1992

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of July 19, 1979 (P.L.130, No.48), entitled "An
2 act relating to health care; prescribing the powers and
3 duties of the Department of Health; establishing and
4 providing the powers and duties of the State Health
5 Coordinating Council, health systems agencies and Health Care
6 Policy Board in the Department of Health, and State Health
7 Facility Hearing Board in the Department of Justice;
8 providing for certification of need of health care providers
9 and prescribing penalties," providing staffing requirements
10 by regulation.

11 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
12 hereby enacts as follows:

13 Section 1. Section 601 of the act of July 19, 1979 (P.L.130,
14 No.48), known as the Health Care Facilities Act, is amended by
15 adding a subsection to read:

16 Section 601. Promulgation of rules and regulations.

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18 (i) Rules and regulations adopted under this act shall
19 insure that patient care hours be calculated at a ratio of three
20 patient care hours per 24-hour period.

21 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.