

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 106

Sponsor: REPRESENTATIVE ZIMMERMAN

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1 Amend Bill, page 1, line 10, by inserting after "provisions;"
2 establishing the Nurse Staffing Ratio Program Fund;

3 Amend Bill, page 19, by inserting between lines 3 and 4

4 Section 811-C. Nurse Staffing Ratio Program Fund.

5 (a) Establishment.--The Nurse Staffing Ratio Program Fund is
6 established as a fund in the State Treasury, which shall be
7 administered by the department.

8 (b) Sources.--Money from the civil penalties collected by
9 the department under section 808-C(2) shall be deposited into
10 the Nurse Staffing Ratio Program Fund.

11 (c) Disbursements.--Money from the Nurse Staffing Ratio
12 Program Fund shall be disbursed by the department for the
13 following purposes:

14 (1) Provide scholarships to individuals attending a
15 nursing school within this Commonwealth.

16 (2) Nurse educator or preceptor programs.

17 (3) For hospitals to hire more nurses to meet the ratios
18 specified under section 802-C.

19 (4) Any other purpose the department may establish by
20 regulation that meets the purposes of this chapter.

21 (d) Audits.--The Auditor General shall review collections
22 and expenditures from the Nurse Staffing Ratio Program Fund and
23 submit a report of the Auditor General's findings once every two
24 years by December 31 to all of the following:

25 (1) The chair and minority chair of the Appropriations
26 Committee of the Senate.

27 (2) The chair and minority chair of the Appropriations
28 Committee of the House of Representatives.

29 (3) The chair and minority chair of the Health and Human
30 Services Committee of the Senate.

31 (4) The chair and minority chair of the Health Committee
32 of the House of Representatives.

33 Amend Bill, page 19, line 4, by striking out "811-C" and
34 inserting
35 812-C