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History and Final Disposition

LD 616 / SP0225

Original Title: An Act To Provide Safe Staffing Levels for Patients and To Retain Registered Nurses. New Title: Resolve, To Improve the Quality of Health Care. Presented by Senator PENDLETON of Cumberland; Cosponsored by Representative RICHARDSON of Brunswick and Senators: CARPENTER of York, DAGGETT of Kennebec, KNEELAND of Aroostook, MARTIN of Aroostook, Representatives: ANDREWS of York, DAVIS of Falmouth, DUGAY of Cherryfield, PERRY of Calais. Referred to Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services. Public Hearing 03/10/03. Majority (OTP-AM) Accepted 03/18/04. Amended by: CA (Changed Title) S-427. Final Disposition: Finally Passed, Signed 04/01/04, RESOLVE LAWS, Chapter 118.

Original Bill

[LD 616 \(121st Legis. 2003\)](#)

Analyst's Summary of Bill and Enacted Law

[LD 616 \(1st Regular Session\)](#)

[LD 616 \(Carried over\) / Resolve 2003, c. 118](#)

Committee Materials

Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services

- (Available on request—please include the following citation: cf121-LD-0616.pdf)

New Drafts and Amendments

[Amendment CA \(S-427\) \(LD 616 2004\) \(Majority\) \(Passed\)](#)

Floor Proceedings and Debate

[HOUSE, February 11, 2003 \(H116-145\)](#)

- p. H-129

[SENATE, February 11, 2003 \(S128-136\)](#)

- p. S-131

[HOUSE, June 13, 2003 \(H1000-1032\)](#)

- p. H-1028

[SENATE, June 13, 2003 \(S977-1027\)](#)

- p. S-1022

[SENATE, March 16, 2004 \(S1379-1394\)](#)

- p. S-1390 (Amendment(s) S-427)

[SENATE, March 17, 2004 \(S1395-1402\)](#)

- p. S-1397 (Amendment(s) S-427)

[HOUSE, March 18, 2004 \(H1373-1384\)](#)

- p. H-1376 (Amendment(s) S-427)

[HOUSE, March 18, 2004 \(H1373-1384\)](#)

- p. H-1381 (Remarks) (Roll Call(s)) (Amendment(s) S-427)

[HOUSE, March 19, 2004 \(H1385-1401\)](#)

- p. H-1391 (Amendment(s) S-427)

[HOUSE, March 23, 2004 \(H1414-1424\)](#)

- p. H-1415 (Amendment(s) S-427)

[SENATE, March 25, 2004 \(S1441-1457\)](#)

- p. S-1452 (Amendment(s) S-427)

Enacted Law or Resolve

[Resolve 2003, c. 118](#)

Reports and Other Related Documents

[Report of the Maine Quality Forum Advisory Council Pursuant to LD 616 \(December 3, 2004\)](#)

News Articles

Nurses testify to staffing needs (Haskell, Meg) (Bangor Daily News, 3/11/2003, p. A1, A10) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 121/LD06xx/nc121-LD-0616/SB1211401.pdf)

Nurse staffing levels evoke troubling stories (Carrier, Paul) (Portland Press Herald, 3/11/2003) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 121/LD06xx/nc121-LD-0616/SB1211400.pdf)

Legislators cool to bills (Dunkle, Daniel) (Courier-Gazette, 3/18/2003) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 121/LD06xx/nc121-LD-0616/SB121804.pdf)

Nurse ratios to remain for now (Haskell, Meg) (Bangor Daily News, 3/19/2003) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 121/LD06xx/nc121-LD-0616/SB121817.pdf)

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