

## HR 4138

Registered Nurse Safe Staffing Act of 2007

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

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## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred To	Nov 9, 2007
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Nov 19, 2007

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Health

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 S 73	Related bill	<b>Jan 4, 2007:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S85-86)

## Summary (as of Nov 9, 2007)

Registered Nurse Safe Staffing Act of 2007 - Amends part D (Miscellaneous) of title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act (SSA) to: (1) require each participating hospital to adopt and implement a staffing system that ensures a number of registered nurses on each shift and in each unit of the hospital to ensure appropriate staffing levels for patient care; (2) provide for the public reporting of certain staffing information, including a daily posting for each shift in the hospital of the current number of licensed and unlicensed nursing staff directly responsible for patient care; (3) prescribe recordkeeping, data collection, and evaluation requirements for participating hospitals; (4) specify civil monetary penalties for violations of such requirements; and (5) provide whistleblower protections.

## Actions Timeline

- **Nov 19, 2007:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Nov 9, 2007:** Introduced in House
- **Nov 9, 2007:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.