

## S 73

### Registered Nurse Safe Staffing Act of 2007

**Congress:** 110 (2007–2009, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** Jan 4, 2007

**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S85-86)

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S85-86) (Jan 4, 2007)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/110th-congress/senate-bill/73>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Inouye, Daniel K. [D-HI]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** HI • **Chamber:** Senate

### Cosponsors

*No cosponsors are listed for this bill.*

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jan 4, 2007

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Health

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 HR 4138	Related bill	Nov 19, 2007: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

### Summary (as of Jan 4, 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

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- **Jan 4, 2007:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jan 4, 2007:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S84-85)
- **Jan 4, 2007:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S85-86)