ARKANSAS SENATE

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Amendment Form

Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 294

"AN ACT TO EXEMPT LIFE CARE FACILITIES FROM THE STATE'S QUALITY

ASSURANCE FEE."

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 294.

Amend Senate Bill No. 294 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete lines 10 through 12 and substitute the following: "AN ACT TO EXEMPT NURSING FACILITIES THAT PROVIDE NURSING CARE EXCLUSIVELY UNDER LIFE-CARE FACILITY CONTRACTS FROM THE STATE'S QUALITY ASSURANCE FEE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

AND

Page 1, delete lines 15 and 16 and substitute the following: AN ACT TO EXEMPT NURSING FACILITIES THAT PROVIDE NURSING CARE EXCLUSIVELY UNDER LIFE-CARE FACILITY CONTRACTS FROM THE STATE'S QUALITY ASSURANCE FEE.

AND

Page 1, delete everything after the ENACTING clause and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 20, Chapter 10, Subchapter 16 is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

20-10-1606. Waiver for nursing facilities that provide nursing care exclusively under life-care facility contracts.

(a) The Department of Health and Human Services shall apply for a waiver of the uniform health care related tax under 42 C.F.R. § 433.68, as in effect on January 1, 2007, to exempt each nursing facility that provides nursing care exclusively under contract with life-care facilities licensed under § 23-93-201 et seq. from the quality assurance fee and to allow adjustment of the quality assurance fee paid by state-operated nursing facilities.

(b) Upon receiving the waiver, the department shall discontinue collecting the quality assurance fee from any nursing facility that provides nursing care exclusively under life-care facility contracts and adjust the



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quality assurance fee paid by state-operated nursing facilities pursuant to the waiver."

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