Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

1	State of Arkansas	As Engrossed: S2/22/07			
2	86th General Assembly	A BIII			
3	Regular Session, 2007		HOUSE BILL	1363	
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5	By: Representatives Key, Edwards, Glidewell, Medley, Pennartz				
6	By: Senators Horn, Altes				
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8		For An Act To Be Entitled			
9 10	AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE §§ 20-10-1402 AND				
11		TO ENHANCE THE QUALITY OF CARE			
12		CARE FACILITY RESIDENTS BY CREAT			
13		FANDARDS FOR THOSE NURSING FACIL			
14		OR CERTIFIED AS EDEN ALTERNATIV			
15	GREEN HOUSE PROJECT NURSING FACILITIES; AND FOR				
16	OTHER PURPO	·			
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18		Subtitle			
19	TO ENHAN	NCE THE QUALITY OF CARE OF LONG-			
20	TERM CAR	RE FACILITY RESIDENTS BY CREATING	G		
21	STAFFING	G STANDARDS FOR THOSE NURSING			
22	FACILITI	IES DESIGNATED OR CERTIFIED AS			
23	EDEN ALT	TERNATIVE OR GREEN HOUSE PROJECT			
24	NURSING	FACILITIES.			
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27	BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENE	RAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARE	KANSAS:		
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29	SECTION 1. Arkansa	s Code § 20-10-1402(b), concerni	ing staffing		
30	standards for nursing fac	ilities, is amended to read as i	follows:		
31	(b)(1) The Except	for nursing facilities that the	Office of Long-T	<u>erm</u>	
32	Care designates or certifies as Eden Alternative nursing facilities or Green				
33	House Project nursing facilities, the staffing standard required by this				
34	subchapter shall be the minimum number of direct-care staff required by				
35	nursing facilities and shall be adjusted upward to meet the care needs of				
36	residents.				

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1	(2)(A) The office shall promulgate staffing standards for		
2	nursing facilities that the office designates or certifies as Eden		
3	Alternative nursing facilities or Green House Project nursing facilities.		
4	(B) The department may develop a reimbursement methodology		
5	or amend the reimbursement methodology in existence as of the effective date		
6	of this act to provide payment for staff that provide services or care to		
7	residents in the designated or certified Eden Alternative nursing facilities		
8	or Green House Project nursing facilities.		
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10	SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 20-10-1403(a), concerning the ratio of		
11	staff to residents of nursing facilities, is amended to read as follows:		
12	(a) Except for nursing facilities that the Office of Long-Term Care		
13	designates as Eden Alternative nursing facilities or Green House Project		
14	nursing facilities, All all nursing facilities shall maintain the following		
15	minimum direct-care staffing to resident ratios:		
16	(1) One (1) direct-care staff to every six (6) residents for the		
17	day shift. Of this direct-care staff, there shall be at least one (1)		
18	licensed nurse to every forty (40) residents;		
19	(2) One (1) direct-care staff to every nine (9) residents for		
20	the evening shift. Of this direct-care staff, there shall be at least one (1)		
21	licensed nurse to every forty (40) residents; and		
22	(3) One (1) direct-care staff to every fourteen (14) residents		
23	for the night shift. Of this direct-care staff, there shall be at least one		
24	(1) licensed nurse to every eighty (80) residents.		
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