

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.

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As Engrossed: S2/15/07

# A Bill

SENATE BILL 294

5 By: Senators B. Pritchard, Altes, Madison  
6 By: Representatives Berry, Edwards, Glidewell, Hardwick, Harris, House, Ragland, Schulte, Walters  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

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10 AN ACT TO EXEMPT NURSING FACILITIES THAT PROVIDE  
11 NURSING CARE EXCLUSIVELY UNDER LIFE-CARE FACILITY  
12 CONTRACTS FROM THE STATE'S QUALITY ASSURANCE FEE;  
13 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

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17 PROVIDE NURSING CARE EXCLUSIVELY UNDER  
18 LIFE-CARE FACILITY CONTRACTS FROM THE  
19 STATE'S QUALITY ASSURANCE FEE.  
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22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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24 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 20, Chapter 10, Subchapter 16 is  
25 amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

26 20-10-1606. Waiver for nursing facilities that provide nursing care  
27 exclusively under life-care facility contracts.

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

35 (b) Upon receiving the waiver, the department shall discontinue  
36 collecting the quality assurance fee from any nursing facility that provides



1 nursing care exclusively under life-care facility contracts and adjust the  
2 quality assurance fee paid by state-operated nursing facilities pursuant to  
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/s/ B. Pritchard