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11	Senator Holzendorf moved the following amendment:
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13	Senate Amendment (with title amendment)
14	On page 133, line 31, after the period
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16	insert:
17	Section 66. The Agency for Health Care Administration
18	shall require that a portion of each nursing facility's
19	Medicaid rate increase be used exclusively for wage and
20	benefit increases for nursing home direct care staff. Such
21	funds shall be used only for actual wage or benefit
22	improvements. Eligible staff members include all direct care
23	workers (including RNs, LPNs and CNAs), and all dietary,
24	housekeeping, laundry, and maintenance workers. Temporary,
25	contract, agency, and pool employees are excluded. The agency
26	shall develop cost-reporting systems to ensure that the funds
27	the agency has required to be used for wage and benefit
28	increases for direct care staff are used for this purpose. On
29	January 1 of each year, the agency shall report to the
30	Legislature the effect of such wage and benefit increases for
31	employees in nursing facilities in this state.
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   And the title is amended as follows:
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          On page 11, line 8, after the first semicolon
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          benefit increases for nursing home direct care
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