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## CHAMBER ACTION

Senate House

Representative Galvano offered the following:

Amendment to Senate Amendment (310420) (with title amendment)

Between lines 558 and 559, insert:

Section 14. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 236 of the 2008-2009 General Appropriations Act, the Agency for Health Care Administration shall study the effects of the minimum nursing home staffing ratios found in s. 400.23(3), Florida Statutes, and the relationship to Medicaid reimbursement and the quality of care provided to residents. The agency shall report its findings to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by February 1, 2009. Until July 1, 2009, failure to meet the staffing ratios pursuant to s. 400.23(3), Florida Statutes, failure to impose a moratorium on new admissions pursuant to s.

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400.141(15)(d), Florida Statutes, or failure to comply with the staffing ratios pursuant to s. 400.141(15)(e) and (f), Florida Statutes, shall not constitute a deficiency as long as the certified nursing assistant ratio is not below 2.6 hours per resident per day and the licensed nurse ratio is not below 1.0 hours per resident per day. This section expires July 1, 2009.

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## TITLE AMENDMENT

Between lines 639 and 640, insert:

requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to conduct a study of nursing home staffing ratios; requiring a report to the Governor and Legislature; providing exceptions to certain requirements relating to staffing ratios and moratoriums on new admissions for a specified period of time; providing for future repeal;