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HOUSE DRH10893-LNf-179 (04/22)

Short Title: Home Care License Fee/New License Moratorium. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Earle.

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO IMPOSE AN INITIAL LICENSE FEE FOR HOME CARE AGENCIES; AND
3 TO PLACE A ONE-YEAR MORATORIUM ON THE ISSUANCE OF LICENSES FOR
4 NEW HOME CARE AGENCIES.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 **SECTION 1.** Article 16 of Chapter 131E of the General Statutes is amended by
7 adding a new section to read:

8 "**§ 131E-272. Initial licensure fees for new facilities.**

9 The Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Health Service Regulation,
10 shall impose an initial licensure fee of five hundred seventy-five dollars (\$575.00) for new
11 home care agencies to provide in-home aide services."

12 **SECTION 2.** Beginning October 1, 2009, and for a period of one year thereafter,
13 the Department of Health and Human Services shall not issue any licenses for new home care
14 agencies that intend to offer in-home aide services. This prohibition shall not restrict the
15 Department from issuing licenses to certified home health agencies that intend to offer in-home
16 aide services or to agencies that need a new license for an existing home care agency being
17 acquired. The purpose of this section is to allow the Department of Health and Human
18 Services more time to work with existing home care agencies to assure compliance with newly
19 adopted home care rules.

20 **SECTION 3.** Section 1 of this act becomes effective July 1, 2009. The remainder
21 of this act is effective when it becomes law.



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