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My spouse is a nurse at a hospital, and has recounted many occasions where patients' lives were at-risk, because there were not enough nurses to monitor them closely-enough. There has been a rotating cast of nurses on her unit, as they leave due to stressful demands of caring for too many patients. Nurses leaving the profession due to unsafe staffing levels exacerbates the problem, creating a vicious cycle. Patients and nurses deserve a care environment where the best care possible can be delivered. This bill will help to address the problem. Thank you.