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1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 1573

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend Senate Bill 1573 on page 1, by
3 inserting immediately below line 3 the following:

4 "Section 1. The Equity in Long-term Care Quality Act is
5 amended by adding Section 25 as follows:

6 (30 ILCS 772/25 new)

7 Sec. 25. Nursing home labor force program.

8 (a) The Department of Public Health shall establish a
9 nursing home labor force promotion, expansion, and retention
10 program no later than January 1, 2020 using moneys appropriated
11 from the Equity in Long-term Care Quality Fund.

12 (b) Components of the program shall include, but are not
13 limited to: (1) a public relations campaign to encourage people
14 to become nursing home workers; (2) scholarships for certified
15 nursing assistants, licensed practical nurses, and registered
16 nurses; and (3) retention incentives for nursing home workers.

1 (c) The Department shall establish partnerships with one or
2 more community colleges or universities to execute the program.
3 Sixty percent of the scholarships provided by the program shall
4 be distributed to candidates living in counties with 3,000,000
5 or more residents. Preferential scholarship consideration
6 shall be given to certified nursing assistants, single parents,
7 and applicants from communities that are economically
8 depressed or that have high percentages of Medicaid
9 beneficiaries, immigrants, or racial or ethnic minorities.

10 (d) The Department shall report to the General Assembly no
11 later than January 30, 2020 on the status of the establishment
12 of the program. No later than January 1, 2021, and each January
13 1 thereafter, the Department shall report to the General
14 Assembly the number of scholarships awarded during the
15 preceding year and the demographics of the awardees."; and

16 on page 9, by inserting immediately below line 17 the
17 following:

18 "Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
19 becoming law."