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JNESO SUPPORTS TRANSPARENCY REPORTING NURSE-PATIENT STAFFING RATIOS IN HOSPITALS AND HEALTH CARE FACILITIES

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HARRISBURG – On Tuesday, May 10th, JNESO District Council 1 Executive Director Douglas A. Placa joined JNESO members, legislators and other health care unions to urge the legislature to pass Senate bill 1081, the Hospital Nurse Staff Report Card Act. JNESO District Council 1 represents over 700 registered nurses at health care facilities in Pennsylvania.

"Each year we celebrate Nurses' Week to thank those on the frontlines of delivering healthcare for their daily sacrifices in the name of patient safety and quality healthcare." said Placa "We've long been engaged in a legislative battle to enact safe staffing ratios. Why not enact legislation that requires health care facilities simply post and report nurse staffing numbers? What better way to shine a light on those facilities that aren't holding up their end of the patient safety equation?"

Senate bill 1081, sponsored by Senator Wayne Fontana, provides for the compilation of daily nursing staff reports by hospitals, for public posting and for reporting to the PA Department of Health; and imposes duties by the PA Department of Health.

JNESO District Council 1 is a professional healthcare union representing over 5,000 healthcare professionals in New Jersey and Pennsylvania and is an affiliate of the International Union of Operating Engineers (IUOE). Learn more at: www.jneso.org.

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