GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE DRH50209-SH-14 (02/28)

Short Title:	Extend Restriction on Home Care Licenses.	(Public)
Sponsors:	Representatives Clary, Earle, Alexander, and Farmer-Butterfield (Primary Sponsors).	
Referred to:		

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO EXTEND THE RESTRICTION ON THE ISSUING OF LICENSES FOR HOME CARE AGENCIES BY ONE ADDITIONAL YEAR.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Section 2 of S.L. 2006-194 reads as rewritten:

"**SECTION 2.** Beginning January 1, 2007, and for a period of ~~one year~~ two years thereafter, the Department of Health and Human Services shall not issue any licenses for new home care agencies that intend to offer in-home aide services. This shall not restrict the Department from issuing licenses to certified home health agencies that intend to offer in-home aide services or to agencies that need a new license for an existing home care agency being acquired. This will allow the Department the time necessary to implement newly adopted home care rules."

SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.