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We have 900 billing clerks at Duke (medical system, 900 bed hospital). I'm not sure we have a nurse per (each) bed, but we have a billing clerk per bed...it's obscene.
— UWE REINHARDT, HEARING ON HEALTH CARE REFORM, U.S. SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE, NOVEMBER 19, 2008

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