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SYNOPSIS

Requires long-term care facilities to offer residents opportunity to update emergency contact information and to discuss medical needs.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



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1 **AN ACT** concerning long-term care facilities and supplementing
2 Title 26 of the Revised Statutes.

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
5 *of New Jersey:*

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7 1. a. As used in this section:

8 "Long-term care facility" means a nursing home, assisted living
9 residence, comprehensive personal care home, residential health
10 care facility, or dementia care home licensed pursuant to
11 P.L.1971, c.136 (C.26:2H-1 et seq.).

12 b. A long-term care facility shall meet at least once annually
13 with each resident and the resident's family to discuss and review:

14 (1) medical needs of the resident that fall within the scope of
15 medical services provided by the long-term care facility; and

16 (2) emergency contact information for the resident on file with
17 the long-term care facility.

18 c. Consistent with federal and State privacy laws, a long-term
19 care facility shall annually offer residents the opportunity to update
20 their emergency contact information with the long-term care
21 facility.

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23 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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28 This bill requires long-term care facilities to offer residents the
29 opportunity to update emergency contact information and to discuss
30 medical needs.

31 Under the bill, a long-term care facility is to meet at least once
32 annually with each resident to discuss and review: medical needs of
33 the resident that fall within the scope of medical services provided
34 by the long-term care facility; and emergency contact for the
35 resident on file with the long-term care facility. Consistent with
36 federal and State privacy laws, a long-term care facility is to
37 annually offer residents the opportunity to update their emergency
38 contact information with the long-term care facility.