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SYNOPSIS

Requires long-term care facilities to submit reports regarding residents with disabilities.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



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1 AN ACT concerning long-term care facilities and people with
2 disabilities and supplementing 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, "long-term care facility" means a
8 nursing home, assisted living residence, comprehensive personal
9 care home, residential health care facility, or dementia care home
10 licensed pursuant to P.L.1971, c.136 (C.26:2H-1 et seq.).

11 b. Each long-term care facility shall, within 60 days after the
12 effective date of this act, report the total number of residents with a
13 disability, the number of residents with each category of disability,
14 which categories shall be determined by the Department of Health
15 in consultation with the Department of Human Services, and the
16 ranges in age of residents with each category of disability.
17 Thereafter, a long-term care facility shall report to the Department
18 of Health whenever there is a change in the total number of
19 residents with a disability, the number of residents with each
20 category of disability, and the ranges in age of residents with each
21 category of disability.

22 c. The Department of Health shall categorize data received
23 pursuant to subsection b. of this section according to types of
24 disability and publish on its Internet website on a quarterly basis the
25 total number of residents with a disability, the number of residents
26 with each category of disability, and the ranges in age of the
27 residents with each category of disability at each long-term care
28 facility.

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30 2. The Commissioner of Health shall adopt rules and
31 regulations, in accordance with the "Administrative Procedure Act,"
32 P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.), as are necessary to effectuate
33 the provisions of this act.

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35 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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38 STATEMENT

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40 This bill requires long-term care facilities to submit reports
41 regarding residents with disabilities.

42 Under the bill, each long-term care facility is to report the total
43 number of residents with a disability, the number of residents with
44 each category of disability, which categories are to be determined
45 by the Department of Health in consultation with the Department of
46 Human Services, and the ranges in age of residents with each

1 category of disability. Thereafter, a long-term care facility is to
2 report to the Department of Health whenever there is a change in
3 the total number of residents with a disability, the number of
4 residents with each category of disability, and the ranges in age of
5 residents with each category of disability.

6 The bill defines "long-term care facility" to mean a nursing
7 home, assisted living residence, comprehensive personal care home,
8 residential health care facility, or dementia care home licensed
9 pursuant to P.L.1971, c.136 (C.26:2H-1 et seq.).