

BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 69

(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, after "Licensure" insert "and Inspections"; in line 4, after "years;" insert "requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to annually inspect assisted living program facilities;"; in the same line after "licenses" insert "and inspections"; and in line 8, after "19-323(a)" insert "and 19-1805(a)".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, after line 2, insert:

"19-1805.

(a) The Department shall:

(1) Define different levels of assisted living according to the level of care provided;

(2) Require all assisted living programs to be licensed to operate according to the level of the program;

(3) Develop a waiver process for authorizing an assisted living program to continue to care for an individual whose medical or functional condition has changed since admission to the program to an extent that the level of care required by the individual exceeds the level of care for which the program is licensed;

(4) Promote affordable and accessible assisted living programs throughout the State;

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(5) Establish and enforce quality standards for assisted living programs;

(6) Require [periodic] ANNUAL inspections of assisted living program facilities;

(7) Establish requirements for the qualifications or training or both of assisted living program employees;

(8) Establish a “resident bill of rights” for residents of assisted living program facilities; and

(9) Define which, if any, assisted living programs may be exempt from the requirements of § 19-311 of this title.”.