

BY: Environmental Matters Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 769

(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 11, after “inspections;” insert “requiring a nursing staff agency to perform certain personnel duties and verify certain conditions;”; and strike beginning with “providing” in line 11 down through “agencies;” in line 12 and substitute “providing certain penalties for certain violations; requiring a nursing staff agency to attest to compliance with certain federal laws;”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 4, in line 3, strike “ASSURE” and substitute “ENSURE”;

On page 5, in line 2, strike “ASSISTANT” and substitute “ASSISTANCE”; and in line 38, strike “6” and substitute “6A”.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 6, in lines 19, 22, and 25, in each instance, strike “IN VIOLATION”; in line 28, strike “PROVIDER OF”; and in the same line, after “CARE” insert “PROVIDER”.

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 7, in line 13, strike “CREDENTIALING” and substitute “VERIFYING THE CREDENTIALS OF”; in the same line, strike “PROVIDED” and substitute “REFERRED”; in line 16, after “SKILLS” insert “OF NURSING PERSONNEL”; in the same line, after “REFERRAL” insert “BY THE AGENCY”; in line 19, strike “OR THEIR AGENT” and substitute “FACILITY OR THE CLIENT FACILITY’S AGENT”; in line 20, strike “REFERRAL” and substitute “REPORTING”; in line 25, after “CLIENT” insert “FACILITY”; strike beginning with “VERIFYING” in line 28 down through “EMPLOYEES” in line 30 and substitute “VERIFYING, PRIOR TO INITIAL REFERRAL OF NURSING PERSONNEL TO A CLIENT FACILITY BY THE AGENCY, DRUG SCREENING OF NURSING PERSONNEL REFERRED BY THE”.

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AGENCY IF THE CLIENT FACILITY REQUIRES DRUG SCREENING FOR FACILITY EMPLOYEES"; in line 31, after "VERIFYING" insert ", WHEN THERE IS PROBABLE CAUSE TO PERFORM A DRUG TEST OR WHEN A CLIENT FACILITY REQUESTS A DRUG TEST,"; in the same line, strike "ON" and substitute "OF"; in line 32, strike "NURSING STAFF"; strike beginning with the comma in line 32 down through "CLIENT" in line 33; in line 34, after "VERIFYING" insert a comma; in the same line, strike "HIRING OR"; in line 35, after "REFERRAL" insert "OF NURSING PERSONNEL TO A CLIENT FACILITY BY THE AGENCY,"; in the same line, after "CHECKS" insert "OF NURSING PERSONNEL REFERRED BY THE AGENCY IF THE CLIENT FACILITY REQUIRES CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS FOR FACILITY EMPLOYEES"; and strike beginning with "IF" in line 35 down through "EMPLOYEES" in line 36.

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 8, in line 2, strike "NURSING STAFF"; and in line 23, after "COMPLAINT" insert ", AND SHALL GIVE NOTICE OF THE INSPECTION TO THE NURSING STAFF AGENCY WITHIN AT LEAST 24 HOURS OF INSPECTING THE NURSING STAFF AGENCY".