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BILL NUMBER: SB795

COMMITTEE: Finance

BILL TITLE: Oversight Committee on Quality Care in Nursing Homes and Assisted Living Facilities – Membership and Cochairs

POSITION: Letter of Information

Thank you for this opportunity to provide information regarding SB795 – Oversight Committee on Quality Care in Nursing Homes and Assisted Living Facilities – Membership and Cochairs.

The Secretary of the Maryland Department of Aging (MDOA) currently serves as the chair of the Oversight Committee on Quality Care in Nursing Homes and Assisted Living Facilities. The department also provides staffing support to this committee. In addition to the Oversight Committee on Quality Care in Nursing Homes and Assisted Living Facilities, MDOA staff currently serve on or provide support to 50 other committees, commissions, and workgroups.

This legislation, if passed, will allow the committee to elect two cochairs from among its members on an annual basis. Additionally, support staff for the committee will be provided by the Maryland Department of Health and the Department of Legislative Services in addition to the Department of Aging.

Furthermore, the Maryland Department of Aging does not oversee or regulate nursing homes or assisted living facilities in Maryland. This is the responsibility of the Maryland Department of Health.