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AMENDMENT MEMO



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The bill modifies written notification requirements that apply to a nursing home or community-based residential facility (CBRF) before it may relocate a resident. Specifically, the bill increases the amount of written notice a nursing home or CBRF must provide to the resident and certain others from 30 days to 90 days.

Additionally, the bill requires that when terminating a contract with a provider that is a nursing home or CBRF, a care management organization (CMO) must similarly provide at least 90 days' written notice of the termination to the provider and to the resident and others specified by the bill.

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The substitute amendment instead requires that if a nursing home or CBRF that has residents who are recipients of the family care benefit intends to terminate its contract with a CMO due to a decision to change its type or level of services or the means of reimbursement it accepts, the nursing home or CBRF must provide at least 60 days' written notice before relocation to each resident who must be relocated, as well as to the resident's guardian, if any, and to a family member of the resident, if practicable, unless the resident requests that notice to the family be withheld.

The bill also requires that when a CMO decides to move a resident due to a decision by a nursing home or CBRF to change its type or level of services or the means of reimbursement accepted, the CMO must provide at least 60 days' written notice of the decision to move the resident to the resident, the resident's guardian, if any, and to a member of the resident's family, if practicable, unless the resident requests that notice to the family be withheld. However, the bill provides that this requirement does not apply if a CMO seeks to move a resident for reasons related to facility closure, fraud, or resident health or safety.

BILL HISTORY

Senate Substitute Amendment 1 was offered by Senator Cowles on November 27, 2023. On November 30, 2023, the Senate Committee on Health voted to recommend adoption of the amendment on a vote of Ayes, 6; Noes, 0, and passage of the bill, as amended, on a vote of Ayes, 5; Noes, 1.

For a full history of the bill, visit the Legislature's [bill history page](#).

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