

FINAL FISCAL NOTE

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ASSISTED LIVING RESIDENCE REFERRALS Bill Topic:

Summary of **Fiscal Impact:** □ State Revenue

□ State Transfer

□ TABOR Refund □ Local Government

□ Statutory Public Entity

The bill makes modifications to the required agreement between an assisted living residence referral agency and a prospective resident, and expands the definition of an assisted living residence. The bill will increase state workload beginning in

FY 2020-21.

Appropriation Summary:

No appropriation is required.

Fiscal Note Status:

The fiscal note reflects the enacted bill.

Summary of Legislation

The bill requires an agreement between an assisted living residence referral agency and a prospective resident to be in writing and include:

- the right of the prospective resident or their representative to terminate the referral agency's services for any reason and at any time; and
- a requirement that, if the prospective resident terminates the services of the referral agency, that the referral agency must communicate this termination to any assisted living residences to which the prospective resident was referred.

The bill prohibits an assisted living residence from paying a fee to a referral agency if the agreement between the referral agency and prospective resident or their representative was terminated. Additionally, assisted living residences may not sell a prospective resident's contact information without written consent.

This bill also expands the definition of assisted living residence to include facilities for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities, long-term care facilities, and any other similar facility.

Background

Assisted living residences are facilities that make room and board available to at least three adults who are unrelated to the owner and provide personal services, protective oversight, social care, and available 24-hour supervision.

State Expenditures

Beginning in FY 2020-21, the bill will increase workload for trial courts in the Judicial Department. The bill creates additional reasons for which a district attorney could bring civil actions, which may result in increased caseloads for trial judges. This fiscal note assumes that any increase in caseload will be minimal and can be accomplished within existing appropriations.

Local Government

To the extent that district attorneys enforce these new requirements, workload will increase to conduct the civil process.

Effective Date

The bill was signed into law by the Governor on March 20, 2020, and takes effect September 14, 2020, assuming no referendum petition is filed.

State and Local Government Contacts

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