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Senate Bill 305

Sponsor: Senator Frederick Dillingham

Committee: Health Policy

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SUMMARY OF SENATE BILL 305 as introduced 5-21-87:

The bill would amend the Public Health Code to require a nursing home to adopt and implement an in-service training program that would have to provide instruction on dementia and the techniques necessary to manage demential patients with regard to their physical, intellectual, and behavioral manifestations. After July 1, 1987, the Department of Public Health could not issue or renew a nursing home license unless the nursing home adopted and implemented an in-service training program, that complied with the bill, for all nursing home employees and staff. The Department would be required to promulgate rules to administer the bill.

Proposed MCL 333.21794

Legislative Analyst: L. Arasim

FISCAL IMPACT

It appears that there would be only a nominal increase in cost to the Department of Public Health as the bill would require the Department only to promulgate rules to administer this requirement. The Department of Social Services could also face nominal cost in terms of rate increases based on situations in which a nursing home currently has no in-service training at all and the costs associated with the establishment of inservice training were passed through as an increase in operating costs.

Fiscal Analyst: J. Walker

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