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Senate Bill 1145 (as introduced 9-17-96)

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CONTENT

The bill would amend the Public Health Code to prohibit an individual from entering upon the premises of a nursing home for the purpose of engaging in an activity that would cause a reasonable person to feel, and that actually caused a nursing home patient, employee, or visitor to feel, terrorized, intimidated, frightened, threatened, harassed, or molested. A person who violated the prohibition would be guilty of a misdemeanor, punishable by imprisonment for up to one year, a fine of at least \$1,000 but not more than \$10,000, or both.

Currently, under the Code, the Department of Social Services (now the Family Independence Agency), with the advice of the Department of Public Health (now within the Department of Community Health), must promulgate rules for a quality of care allowance formula regarding nursing home reimbursement. The bill would require the Department of Community Health to promulgate the rules.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill's fiscal impact, if any, is not available at this time.

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