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HB4195 AS INTRODUCED

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HEALTH POLICY

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State Fiscal Impact

Cost	Indeterminate/Increase
Revenues	None

Local Fiscal Impact

Cost	None
Revenues	None

The bill would amend the Public Health Code by requiring a nursing home to designate an individual to serve as a resident representative. The resident representative would have to be on duty and on site not less than 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The bill allows one or more current nursing home employees to be designated as the resident representative. The bill also requires the Department of Consumer and Industry Services (DCIS) to post certain information on the Internet.

Since the DCIS already maintains an Internet site, the posting requirements in the bill would have no fiscal impact. The requirements related to the resident representative designation would have an indeterminate fiscal impact on state costs. If the requirement increased personnel costs to nursing homes, this provision could increase state Medicaid payments to nursing homes.