

VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 2000 SESSION

CHAPTER 130

An Act to amend and reenact § 63.1-177 of the Code of Virginia, relating to access to adult care residences.

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Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 63.1-177 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 63.1-177. Inspections and interviews.

A. Applicants and licensees shall at all times afford the representatives of the Commissioner reasonable opportunity to inspect all of their facilities, books and records, and to interview their agents and employees and any person living in such facilities.

B. The Commissioner and his authorized agents shall have the right to inspect and investigate all adult care residences, interview their residents and have access to their records.

C. For any adult care residence issued a license or renewal thereof for a period of six months, the Commissioner or his authorized agents shall make at least two inspections during the six-month period, one of which shall be unannounced. For any adult care residence issued a license or renewal thereof for a period of one year, the Commissioner or his authorized agents shall make at least three inspections each year, at least two of which shall be unannounced. For any adult care residence issued a license or a renewal thereof for a period of two years, the Commissioner or his authorized agents shall make at least two inspections each year, at least one of which shall be unannounced. For any adult care residence issued a three-year license, the Commissioner or his authorized agents shall make at least one inspection each year, which shall be unannounced.

D. For any licensed adult care residence, the Commissioner may authorize such other announced or unannounced inspections as the Commissioner considers appropriate.

E. All adult care residences shall provide reasonable access to staff or contractual agents of community services boards, local government departments with policy-advisory community services boards or behavioral health authorities as defined in Title 37.1 for the purposes of (i) assessing or evaluating; (ii) providing case management or other services or assistance to; or (iii) monitoring the care of clients residing in the facility; or to evaluate other facility residents who have previously requested their services.