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### HOUSE BILL NO. 178

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*A BILL to amend and reenact § 38.2-4910 of the Code of Virginia, relating to continuing care facilities; meetings with residents.*

Patron—O'Bannon

Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions

#### **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**

#### **1. That § 38.2-4910 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

§ 38.2-4910. Right of organization.

A. Residents shall have the right of self-organization. No retaliatory conduct shall be permitted against any resident for membership or participation in a residents' organization or for filing any complaint. The provider shall be required to provide to the organization a copy of all submissions to the Commission.

B. The board of directors, its designated representative or other such governing body of a continuing care facility shall hold meetings at least quarterly with the residents or representatives elected by the residents of the continuing care facility for the purpose of free discussion of issues relating to the facility. These issues ~~may~~ *shall* include income, expenditures and financial matters as they apply to the facility and proposed changes in policies, programs, facilities and services. Residents shall be entitled to seven days' notice of each meeting.

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