

Department of Planning and Budget 2019 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB 1815

House of Origin Introduced Substitute Engrossed
Second House In Committee Substitute Enrolled

2. Patron: Hope, Patrick A.

3. Committee: Health, Welfare and Institutions

4. Title: Assisted living facilities; emergency electrical power source, disclosure to prospective residents

5. Summary: The proposed legislation directs the State Board of Social Services to include in regulations governing assisted living facilities a requirement that each licensed assisted living facility with six or more residents disclose to each prospective resident, or his legal representative, in writing in a document that is separate and distinct from any other documents provided to the prospective resident or his legal representative and as evidenced by the written acknowledgement of the resident or his legal representative, whether the facility has an on-site emergency electrical power source for the provision of electricity during an interruption of the normal electric power supply and, if the assisted living facility does have an on-site emergency electrical power source, (i) the items for which such on-site emergency electrical power source will supply power in the event of an interruption of the normal electric power supply and (ii) whether staff of the assisted living facility have been trained to maintain and operate such on-site emergency electrical power source to ensure the provision of electricity during an interruption of the normal electrical power supply. The bill also provides that an on-site emergency electrical power source shall include both permanent on-site emergency electrical power sources and portable on-site emergency electrical power sources, provided such portable on-site emergency electrical power source remains on the premises of the assisted living facility at all times.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No

7. No Fiscal Impact

8. Fiscal Implications: This legislation is not expected to have any fiscal impact beyond the minimal cost of rulemaking. Any costs would be a potential expense for an impacted assisted living facilities.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Social Services and Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: This bill is similar to SB 1077.