

## HOUSE MESSAGE SUMMARY

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BILL: SB 1284, Engrossed 2  
INTRODUCER: Senators Fasano, Argenziano, and Crist  
SUBJECT: Nursing Home Consumer Information  
PREPARED BY: Senate Committee on Health Care  
DATE: May 3, 2006

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### I. Amendments Contained in Message:

**House Amendment 1 – 691473** (body)

**House Amendment 2 – 687223** (body with title)

**House Amendment 3 – 208021** (body)

### II. Summary of Amendments Contained in Message:

**House Amendment 1** renames the first section on the Nursing Home Guide on the Internet to be entitled “Have you considered programs that provide alternatives to nursing home care?” The focus will be on available alternatives to nursing home care, so that consumers can make an educated decision if they want to remain in the home. There is not a fiscal impact for this amendment.

**House Amendment 2** contains provisions very similar to sections 7 and 8 of CS/CS/SB 2470, which is still in the Governmental Oversight and Productivity Committee, amending provisions regarding the Florida Statewide Advocacy Council. The amendment states legislative intent and refines the definition of client. The amendment requires the statewide council to provide the Governor’s office with a written report for all complaints. It defines the process for requesting records and resolving disputes. Interagency agreements are to be submitted to the Governor no later than Feb 1. There is not a fiscal impact for this amendment. SB 2310 also contains some of the same language and has not been heard by any committee in the Senate.

**House Amendment 3** does the same thing as House Amendment 1 for the print version of the Nursing Home Guide. There is not a fiscal impact for this amendment.