

By Senator Richter

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to nursing home quality and licensure
3 status; amending s. 400.235, F.S.; deleting a criteria
4 for recognition as a Gold Seal Program facility;
5 providing an effective date.

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7 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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9 Section 1. Paragraph (g) of subsection (5) of section
10 400.235, Florida Statutes, is redesignated as paragraph (f) and
11 present paragraph (f) of that subsection is amended to read:

12 400.235 Nursing home quality and licensure status; Gold
13 Seal Program.—

14 (5) Facilities must meet the following additional criteria
15 for recognition as a Gold Seal Program facility:

16 ~~(f) Evidence an outstanding record regarding the number and~~
17 ~~types of substantiated complaints reported to the State Long-~~
18 ~~Term Care Ombudsman Council within the 30 months preceding~~
19 ~~application for the program.~~

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21 A facility assigned a conditional licensure status may not
22 qualify for consideration for the Gold Seal Program until after
23 it has operated for 30 months with no class I or class II
24 deficiencies and has completed a regularly scheduled relicensure
25 survey.

26 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2011.