

1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to assisted living facilities;
3 amending s. 429.07, F.S.; authorizing assisted living
4 facilities to retain certain licenses under certain
5 circumstances; amending s. 429.23, F.S.; extending the
6 period of time for a facility to file a preliminary
7 adverse incident report; amending s. 429.256, F.S.;
8 authorizing additional tasks relating to assistance
9 with the self-administration of medication; amending
10 s. 429.55, F.S.; revising specified information that
11 each assisted living facility must provide to the
12 agency; providing an effective date.

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

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16 **Section 1. Subsections (4) and (5) of section 429.07,**
17 **Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (5) and (6),**
18 **respectively, and a new subsection (4) is added to that section,**
19 **to read:**

20 429.07 License required; fee.—

21 (4) An assisted living facility may retain such license
22 until licensure renewal, regardless of whether the facility
23 currently has residents using such services, provided that the
24 facility notifies the agency that the facility is currently not
25 staffed to provide such services and provided that the facility

26 notifies the agency once it is properly staffed.

27 **Section 2. Subsection (3) of section 429.23, Florida**
28 **Statutes, is amended, to read:**

29 429.23 Internal risk management and quality assurance
30 program; adverse incidents and reporting requirements.—

31 (3) Licensed facilities shall provide within 5 ~~4~~ business
32 days ~~day~~ after the occurrence of an adverse incident, through
33 the agency's online portal, or if the portal is offline, by
34 electronic mail, a preliminary report to the agency on all
35 adverse incidents specified under this section. The report must
36 include information regarding the identity of the affected
37 resident, the type of adverse incident, and the status of the
38 facility's investigation of the incident.

39 **Section 3. Paragraphs (h) and (i) are added to subsection**
40 **(3) of section 429.256, Florida Statutes, to read:**

41 429.256 Assistance with self-administration of medication
42 and with other tasks.—

43 (3) Assistance with self-administration of medication
44 includes:

45 (h) Dialing an insulin pen prefilled by the manufacturer.

46 (i) Attaching a new needle to an insulin pen prefilled by
47 the manufacturer.

48 **Section 4. Paragraphs (a) of subsection (1) of section**
49 **429.55, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:**

50 429.55 Consumer information.—

51 (1) CONSUMER INFORMATION WEBSITE.—The Legislature finds
52 that consumers need additional information on the quality of
53 care and service in assisted living facilities in order to
54 select the best facility for themselves or their loved ones.
55 Therefore, the Agency for Health Care Administration shall
56 create content that is easily accessible through the home page
57 of the agency's website either directly or indirectly through
58 links to one or more other established websites of the agency's
59 choosing. The website must be searchable by facility name,
60 license type, city, or zip code. By November 1, 2015, the agency
61 shall include all content in its possession on the website and
62 add content when received from facilities. At a minimum, the
63 content must include:

64 (a) Information on each licensed assisted living facility,
65 including, but not limited to:

- 66 1. The name and address of the facility.
- 67 2. The name of the owner or operator of the facility.
- 68 3. The number and type of ~~licensed~~ beds in the facility.
- 69 4. The types of licenses held by the facility.
- 70 5. The facility's license expiration date and status.
- 71 6. The total number of clients that the facility is
72 licensed to serve and the most recently available occupancy
73 levels.
- 74 7. The number of private and semiprivate rooms offered.
- 75 8. The bed-hold policy.

76 9. The religious affiliation, if any, of the assisted
77 living facility.

78 10. The languages spoken by the staff.

79 11. Availability of nurses.

80 12. Forms of payment accepted, including, but not limited
81 to, Medicaid, Medicaid long-term managed care, private
82 insurance, health maintenance organization, United States
83 Department of Veterans Affairs, CHAMPUS program, or workers'
84 compensation coverage.

85 13. Indication if the licensee is operating under
86 bankruptcy protection.

87 14. Recreational and other programs available.

88 15. Special care units or programs offered.

89 16. Whether the facility is a part of a retirement
90 community that offers other services pursuant to this part or
91 part III of this chapter, part II or part III of chapter 400, or
92 chapter 651.

93 17. Links to the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program
94 website and the program's statewide toll-free telephone number.

95 18. Links to the websites of the providers.

96 19. Other relevant information that the agency currently
97 collects.

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99 The agency may adopt rules to administer this section.

100 **Section 5.** This act shall take effect July 1, 2026.