THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 1195 Session of 2011

INTRODUCED BY BOSCOLA, AUGUST 2, 2011

REFERRED TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT, AUGUST 2, 2011

AN ACT

- 1 Providing for a siting restriction for assisted living 2 residences, nursing homes and personal care homes.
- 3 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 4 hereby enacts as follows:
- 5 Section 1. Short title.
- 6 This act shall be known and may be cited as the Assisted
- 7 Living Residence, Nursing Home and Personal Care Home Siting
- 8 Restriction Act.
- 9 Section 2. Definitions.
- 10 The following words and phrases when used in this act shall
- 11 have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
- 12 context clearly indicates otherwise:
- "Assisted living residence." Any premises in which food,
- 14 shelter, personal care, assistance or supervision and
- 15 supplemental health care services are provided for a period
- 16 exceeding 24 hours for four or more adults who are unrelated to
- 17 the operator and who require assistance or supervision in such
- 18 matters as dressing, bathing, diet, financial management,

- 1 evacuation from the residence in the event of an emergency or
- 2 medication prescribed for self-administration.
- 3 "Nursing home." Any premises in which nursing care and
- 4 related medical or other health services are provided, for a
- 5 period exceeding 24 hours, for two or more individuals, who are
- 6 unrelated to the operator, who are not acutely ill and not in
- 7 need of hospitalization, but who, because of age, illness,
- 8 disease, injury, convalescence or physical or mental infirmity,
- 9 need such care.
- 10 "Personal care home." Any premises in which food, shelter
- 11 and personal assistance or supervision are provided for a period
- 12 exceeding 24 hours for four or more adults who are unrelated to
- 13 the operator, who do not require the services in or of a
- 14 licensed long-term care facility but who do require assistance
- 15 or supervision in such matters as dressing, bathing, diet,
- 16 financial management, evacuation of a residence in the event of
- 17 an emergency or medication prescribed for self-administration.
- 18 Section 3. Assisted living residence, nursing home and personal
- 19 care home siting restriction.
- 20 A municipality shall adopt, amend and implement such
- 21 ordinances as are necessary to prohibit assisted living
- 22 residences, nursing homes and personal care homes in areas of
- 23 the municipality zoned for industrial use.
- 24 Section 4. Effective date.
- 25 This act shall take effect in 60 days.