



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 2291

PRINTERS NO. 3917

PRIME SPONSOR: Dunbar

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2018/19	FY 2019/20
General Fund	See Fiscal Impact	See Fiscal Impact
Lottery Fund	See Fiscal Impact	See Fiscal Impact

SUMMARY: House Bill 2291, Printer's Number 3917, amends the Human Services Code to exclude certain senior living units from the definition of personal care home. This legislation is effective immediately.

ANALYSIS: This legislation revises the definition of "personal care home" to specifically exclude premises that do not provide supervision/personal assistance for a continuous period exceeding 24 hours, including the following:

- A living unit located in a Continuing Care Retirement Community (CCRC);
- A senior multifamily housing unit provided by HUD, the U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Housing Services or the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit Program; and
- Any other independent living setting or privately leased apartment unit.

HB 2291 also allows the Office of the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman in the Department of Aging to advocate on behalf of a resident if the operator of a building seeks to offer or develop services or care delivery for 24 hours a day to intentionally avoid licensure as a personal care home.

FISCAL IMPACT: Excluding certain senior living units from the personal care home definition should have no adverse fiscal impact and could reduce the time it takes to license, inspect and investigate complaints for these facilities resulting in cost savings.

It is not possible to estimate the number of residents that may request the services of the Office of State Long-Term Care Ombudsman to advocate on their behalf to determine if it would materially increase the workload of that office.

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Estimates are calculated using the best information available. Actual costs and revenue impact incurred may vary from estimates.