



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 1853

PRINTER'S NO. 2921

PRIME SPONSOR: Shusterman

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2023/24	FY 2024/25
General Fund	See Fiscal Note	See Fiscal Note

SUMMARY:

House Bill 1853 Printer's Number 2921 adds a requirement for an annual meeting between the Department of Health and nursing facilities.

ANALYSIS:

This legislation amends Act 48 of 1979, known as the Health Care Facilities Act, to require the Department of Health to hold a minimum of one annual meeting with nursing care facilities to discuss the surveys conducted by the department. The goal is to promote cooperation and communication between long-term care nursing facilities and the department. The meeting is to be held in the department's regional field office in-person or virtually.

Information provided to the department under this subsection may not be discoverable, may not be used as a basis for criminal action, or used as a basis for civil or administrative liability unless the information is not related to the performance of duties and functions of the nursing facility, the information is false and the person providing the information knew, or had reason to believe, that information was false, or if the information is independently corroborated.

Information obtained by the department at this meeting will not be accessible under the Right-to-Know Law.

This legislation will take effect in 60 days.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The department estimates that there will be an increased administrative cost to the department to conduct the meeting required by this legislation. However, the increased administrative cost will likely be nominal and therefore, can likely be covered by the department's current appropriations.

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