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AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 101
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 11, after “purpose;” insert “requiring the Department to develop certain accountability measures on which the distribution of certain revenues may be based;”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 4, after line 9, insert:

“(3) (I) 1. IN CONSULTATION WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF NURSING FACILITIES AND OTHER STAKEHOLDERS, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL DEVELOP ACCOUNTABILITY MEASURES THAT INDICATE QUALITY OF CARE OR A COMMITMENT TO QUALITY OF CARE, TO BE USED FOR DISTRIBUTION OF A PORTION OF THE REVENUES FROM THE ASSESSMENT UNDER THIS SECTION TO NURSING FACILITIES SUBJECT TO THIS SUBSECTION.

2. THE ACCOUNTABILITY MEASURES DEVELOPED UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL BE OBJECTIVE AND MEASURABLE, AND, WHEN CONSIDERED IN COMBINATION WITH EACH OTHER, SHALL HAVE A CORRELATION TO RESIDENTS’ QUALITY OF LIFE AND CARE.

(II) BEGINNING JULY 1, 2008, SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIONS UNDER FEDERAL LAW, UP TO 75% OF THE REVENUES FROM THE ASSESSMENT UNDER THIS SECTION MAY BE DISTRIBUTED TO NURSING FACILITIES SUBJECT TO THIS SUBSECTION BASED ON THE ACCOUNTABILITY MEASURES DEVELOPED UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH.

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(III) THE DISTRIBUTION OF REVENUES AS PROVIDED IN THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL BE USED AS AN INCENTIVE FOR NURSING FACILITIES TO PROVIDE QUALITY CARE AND MAY NOT BE USED TO DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY HOLD HARMLESS ANY NURSING FACILITY.”