

## LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate House

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The Committee on Health Regulation (Latvala) recommended the following:

## Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete lines 2882 - 2908 and insert:

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Section 70. Paragraphs (i) and (j) of subsection (1) and subsection (3) of section 429.41, Florida Statutes, are amended, and present subsections (4) and (5) of that section are renumbered subsections (3) and (4), respectively, to read:

429.41 Rules establishing standards.-

(1) It is the intent of the Legislature that rules published and enforced pursuant to this section shall include criteria by which a reasonable and consistent quality of

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resident care and quality of life may be ensured and the results of such resident care may be demonstrated. Such rules shall also ensure a safe and sanitary environment that is residential and noninstitutional in design or nature. It is further intended that reasonable efforts be made to accommodate the needs and preferences of residents to enhance the quality of life in a facility. The agency, in consultation with the department, may adopt rules to administer the requirements of part II of chapter 408. In order to provide safe and sanitary facilities and the highest quality of resident care accommodating the needs and preferences of residents, the department, in consultation with the agency, the Department of Children and Family Services, and the Department of Health, shall adopt rules, policies, and procedures to administer this part, which must include reasonable and fair minimum standards in relation to:

- (i) Facilities holding an a limited nursing, extended congregate care, or limited mental health license.
- (j) The establishment of specific criteria to define appropriateness of resident admission and continued residency in a facility holding a standard, limited nursing, extended congregate care, and limited mental health license.
- (3) The department shall submit a copy of proposed rules to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the President of the Senate, and appropriate committees of substance for review and comment prior to the promulgation thereof. Rules promulgated by the department shall encourage the development of homelike facilities which promote the dignity, individuality, personal strengths, and decisionmaking ability of residents.



42 ======== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T ========= 43 And the title is amended as follows: Delete line 235 44 45 and insert: 46 changes made by the act; deleting the requirement for the Department of Elderly Affairs to submit to the 47 48 Legislature a copy of proposed rules regarding the quality of resident care in an assisted living 49 facility; amending s. 429.53, F.S.; 50