Bill No. HB 469 (2022)

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Representative Trabulsy offered the following:

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Remove lines 209-223 and insert:

Section 6. Section 429.256, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

429.256 Assistance with self-administration of medication and with other tasks.—

- (1) For the purposes of this section, the term:
- (a) "Informed consent" means advising the resident, or the resident's surrogate, guardian, or attorney in fact, that an assisted living facility is not required to have a licensed nurse on staff, that the resident may be receiving assistance with self-administration of medication or other tasks from an

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unlicensed person, and that such assistance, if provided by an unlicensed person, will or will not be overseen by a licensed nurse.

- (b) "Unlicensed person" means an individual not currently licensed to practice nursing or medicine who is employed by or under contract to an assisted living facility and who has received training with respect to assisting with the self-administration of medication or other tasks in an assisted living facility as provided under s. 429.52 prior to providing such assistance as described in this section.
- (2) Residents who are capable of self-administering their own medications and performing other tasks without assistance shall be encouraged and allowed to do so. However, an unlicensed person may, consistent with a dispensed prescription's label or the package directions of an over-the-counter medication, assist a resident whose condition is medically stable with the self-administration of routine, regularly scheduled medications that are intended to be self-administered. An unlicensed person may also provide assistance with other tasks specified in subsection (6). Assistance with self-administration of medication or such other tasks self-medication by an unlicensed person may occur only upon a documented request by, and the written informed consent of, a resident or the resident's surrogate, guardian, or attorney in fact. For the purposes of this section, self-administered medications include both legend and over-the-

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counter oral dosage forms, topical dosage forms, transdermal patches, and topical ophthalmic, otic, and nasal dosage forms including solutions, suspensions, sprays, and inhalers.

- (3) Assistance with self-administration of medication includes:
- (a) Taking the medication, in its previously dispensed, properly labeled container, including an insulin syringe that is prefilled with the proper dosage by a pharmacist and an insulin pen that is prefilled by the manufacturer, from where it is stored, and bringing it to the resident. For purposes of this paragraph, an insulin syringe that is prefilled with the proper dosage by a pharmacist and an insulin pen that is prefilled by the manufacturer are considered medications in previously dispensed, properly labeled containers.
- (b) In the presence of the resident, confirming that the medication is intended for that resident, orally advising the resident of the medication name and dosage, opening the container, removing a prescribed amount of medication from the container, and closing the container. The resident may sign a written waiver to opt out of being orally advised of the medication name and dosage. The waiver must identify all of the medications intended for the resident, including names and dosages of such medications, and must immediately be updated each time the resident's medications or dosages change.

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- (d) Applying topical medications.
- (e) Returning the medication container to proper storage.
- (f) Keeping a record of when a resident receives assistance with self-administration under this section.
- (g) Assisting with the use of a nebulizer, including removing the cap of a nebulizer, opening the unit dose of nebulizer solution, and pouring the prescribed premeasured dose of medication into the dispensing cup of the nebulizer.
- (h) Using a glucometer to perform blood-glucose level checks.
- (i) Assisting with putting on and taking off antiembolism stockings.
- (j) Assisting with applying and removing an oxygen cannula but not with titrating the prescribed oxygen settings.
- (k) Assisting with the use of a continuous positive airway pressure device but not with titrating the prescribed setting of the device.
 - (1) Assisting with measuring vital signs.
 - (m) Assisting with colostomy bags.
- (4) Assistance with self-administration of medication does not include:

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	(a)	Mixing,	compou	nding,	convert	ing, or	calcu	lating	
medic	atio	n doses,	except	for me	easuring	a pres	cribed	amount	of
liqui	d me	dication	or bre	aking a	a scored	tablet	or cr	ushing	a
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- (b) The preparation of syringes for injection or the administration of medications by any injectable route.
- (c) Administration of medications by way of a tube inserted in a cavity of the body.
 - (d) Administration of parenteral preparations.
- (e) The use of irrigations or debriding agents used in the treatment of a skin condition.
- (f) Assisting with rectal, urethral, or vaginal preparations.
- (g) Assisting with medications ordered by the physician or health care professional with prescriptive authority to be given "as needed," unless the order is written with specific parameters that preclude independent judgment on the part of the unlicensed person, and the resident requesting the medication is aware of his or her need for the medication and understands the purpose for taking the medication.
- (h) Medications for which the time of administration, the amount, the strength of dosage, the method of administration, or the reason for administration requires judgment or discretion on the part of the unlicensed person.

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114	(5) Assistance with the self-administration of medication
115	by an unlicensed person as described in this section shall not
116	be considered administration as defined in s. 465.003.
117	(6) Assistance with other tasks includes:
118	(a) Using a glucometer to perform blood-glucose level
119	checks.
120	(b) Assisting with putting on and taking off antiembolism
121	stockings.
122	(c) Assisting with applying and removing an oxygen cannula
123	but not with titrating the prescribed oxygen settings.
124	(d) Assisting with the use of a continuous positive airway
125	pressure device but not with titrating the prescribed setting of
126	the device.
127	(e) Assisting with measuring vital signs.
128	(f) Assisting with colostomy bags.
129	(7) (6) The agency may by rule establish facility
130	procedures and interpret terms as necessary to implement this
131	section.
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