

5622-S2

Sponsor(s): Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Rinehart, Wojahn, Fairley, Fraser and Kohl; by request of Department of Social and Health Services)

Brief Description: Modifying provision of long-term care services.

**SB 5622-S2 - DIGEST**

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Declares an intent that home and community services be greatly expanded and promoted.

Calls for increased involvement of registered nurses and other health care professionals in community-based, long-term care settings.

Provides for a study of the safety and cost effectiveness of nurse delegation.

Imposes a moratorium on new Medicaid nursing facility contracts until December 31, 1998.

Reformulates nursing home reimbursement rates.

Declares that individuals should be financially responsible for their own long-term care whenever possible.

Increases the penalties for knowing acceptance of assets which have been illegally transferred.