

5766-S2

Sponsor(s): Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Wojahn, Long, Franklin, Winsley, Rasmussen and Costa)

Brief Title: Modifying the duties of a long-term care ombudsman.

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(DIGEST AS ENACTED)

Provides that a local long-term care ombudsman, including a trained volunteer long-term care ombudsman, shall have the duties and authority set forth in the federal older Americans act (42 U.S.C. Sec. 3058 et seq.) for local ombudsmen.

Provides that the state long-term care ombudsman and representatives of the office of the state long-term care ombudsman, shall have the duties and authority set forth in the federal older Americans act for the state long-term care ombudsman and representatives of the office of the state long-term care ombudsman.

Provides that a trained volunteer long-term care ombudsman, in accordance with the policies and procedures established by the state long-term care ombudsman program, shall inform residents, their representatives, and others about the rights of residents, and may identify, investigate, and resolve complaints made by or on behalf of residents of long-term care facilities relating to action, inaction, or decisions, that may adversely affect the health, safety, welfare, and rights of these individuals.