
HOUSE BILL 2453

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1 AN ACT Relating to requiring nursing homes to report methicillin-
2 resistant staphylococcus aureus infections; and adding a new section to
3 chapter 18.51 RCW.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 18.51 RCW
6 to read as follows:

7 (1) A nursing home licensed under this chapter shall notify the
8 department of health of any known invasive infection caused by
9 methicillin-resistant staphylococcus aureus occurring within the
10 facility.

11 (2) The department of health shall adopt rules requiring nursing
12 homes to submit the information in subsection (1) of this section in
13 the same manner as other conditions of which nursing homes are required
14 to notify the department of health.

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