

**HB 1901-S.E - DIGEST**

(SUBSTITUTED FOR - SEE 2ND SUB)

Addresses the delivery of long-term care services relating to: (1) Boarding home licensing requirements;

(2) Intermittent nursing services;

(3) Availability of qualified and trained staff;

(4) Conversion of part of nursing home for use as assisted living services; and

(5) Follow to home services provided by a care coach not included in home health care.

Encourages nursing homes to collaborate with local home health agencies for an assessment of home health needs and determine home health eligibility for patients being discharged.

Requires the department of social and health services to: (1) Adopt rules to establish postacute care program certification standards;

(2) Convene a work group to identify the chronic and acute care service needs of the region's residents over the next ten years and the existing service capacity of the provider community to meet those identified needs; and

(3) Convene a work group to discuss and identify one or more mechanisms to incentivize nursing facilities to close or to eliminate licensed beds from active service.