
**Health Care & Wellness
Committee**

HB 3203

Brief Description: Granting residents who are transferred or discharged from nursing facilities an opportunity for a hearing.

Sponsors: Representatives Morrell, Campbell, Green, Lias, McIntire, VanDeWege and Wood.

Brief Summary of Bill

- Allows a nursing home resident who was transferred or discharged to challenge that action through a fair hearing and be allowed immediate readmittance in the first available bed pending a final order at the fair hearing.

Hearing Date: 2/4/08

Staff: Dave Knutson (786-7146).

Background:

Nursing home residents who are transferred or discharged by the facility have a right to challenge the facility's decision to transfer or discharge them. If they challenge the decision to transfer or discharge them prior to leaving the facility they may stay in the facility until the appeal is resolved. If they challenge the decision to transfer or discharge them after leaving the facility they do not have the right to be allowed immediate readmittance into the first available bed and stay in the facility until the appeal is resolved.

Summary of Bill:

Nursing home residents who are transferred or discharged by the facility have a right to challenge the decision to transfer or discharge them and may be readmitted to the first available bed and stay in the facility until the appeal is resolved.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

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Effective Date: The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.