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HOUSE BILL 2172

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By Representatives Dyer, Cody, Dellwo, Dickerson, Horn and Carlson; by request of Department of Social and Health Services

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to adult residential care services; and amending
- 2 RCW 74.39A.---.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 74.39A.--- and 1995 1st sp.s. c 18 (E2SHB 1908) s 17 5 are each amended to read as follows:
- 6 (1) The department is authorized to take one or more of the actions
- 7 listed in subsection (2) of this section in any case in which the
- 8 department finds that a provider of assisted living services, adult
- 9 <u>residential care services</u>, or enhanced adult residential care services
- 10 has:
- 11 (a) Failed or refused to comply with the requirements of this
- 12 chapter or the rules adopted under this chapter;
- (b) Operated without a license or under a revoked license;
- 14 (c) Knowingly, or with reason to know, made a false statement of
- 15 material fact on his or her application for license or any data
- 16 attached thereto, or in any matter under investigation by the
- 17 department; or
- 18 (d) Willfully prevented or interfered with any inspection or
- 19 investigation by the department.

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- 1 (2) When authorized by subsection (1) of this section, the 2 department may take one or more of the following actions:
 - (a) Refuse to issue a contract;

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- 4 (b) Impose reasonable conditions on a contract, such as correction 5 within a specified time, training, and limits on the type of clients 6 the provider may admit or serve;
- 7 (c) Impose civil penalties of not more than one hundred dollars per 8 day per violation;
 - (d) Suspend, revoke, or refuse to renew a contract; or
- 10 (e) Suspend admissions to the facility by imposing stop placement 11 on contracted services.
- (3) When the department orders stop placement, the facility shall 12 not admit any person admitted by contract until the stop placement 13 14 order is terminated. The department may approve readmission of a 15 resident to the facility from a hospital or nursing home during the 16 stop placement. The department shall terminate the stop placement 17 when: (a) The violations necessitating the stop placement have been corrected; and (b) the provider exhibits the capacity to maintain 18 19 adequate care and service.
- 20 (4) Chapter 34.05 RCW applies to department actions under this 21 section, except that orders of the department imposing contracts 22 suspension, stop placement, or conditions for continuation of a 23 contract are effective immediately upon notice and shall continue 24 pending any hearing.

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