Health Care Committee

HB 2707

Brief Description: Modifying the commencement date for long-term caregiver training.

Sponsors: Representatives Edwards, Skinner, Cody and Schual-Berke.

Brief Summary of Bill

• The effective date for basic and specialty training requirements is changed to 120 days after the Department of Social and Health Services publishes its final basic and specialty training competencies and materials.

Hearing Date: 2/5/02

Staff: Dave Knutson (786-7146).

Background:

In 2000, the Legislature mandated training for caregivers in all long-term care settings. The mandated training includes basic and specialty training. A steering committee for community long-term care training and education was established to advise the Department of Social and Health Services on rules related to training materials, competency testing, training effectiveness, and other training matters. The statutory training standards take effect March 1, 2002.

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Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not Requested.

Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.