

FINAL BILL REPORT

SB 6637

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Concerning qualifications for adult family home providers.

Sponsors: Senators Keiser and Deccio.

Senate Committee on Health & Long-Term Care

House Committee on Health Care

Background: Adult family homes are licensed to care for up to six individuals who need long-term care. Adult family homes provide room, board, laundry, necessary supervision, assistance with activities of daily living, personal care, and nursing services if necessary. The Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) is responsible for licensing adult family homes.

Prior to becoming an adult family home provider, a person must meet minimum qualifications enumerated in statute including specific education, age, and character requirements. Additionally, a person seeking to become a provider must satisfactorily complete DSHS approved basic training and continuing education training as specified by rule.

Summary: Prior to being granted a license, a provider applying for an adult family license after January 1, 2007, must complete a Department of Social and Health Services' (DSHS) approved 48 hour adult family home administration and business planning class.

DSHS must promote and prioritize bilingual training within available resources.

Votes on Final Passage:

Senate	46	0	
House	93	0	(House amended)
Senate	43	0	(Senate concurred)

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