

HB 2344 - S COMM AMD

By Committee on Health & Long Term Care

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
2 following:

3 "Sec. 1. RCW 70.128.130 and 2012 c 164 s 704 are each amended to
4 read as follows:

5 (1) The provider is ultimately responsible for the day-to-day
6 operations of each licensed adult family home.

7 (2) The provider shall promote the health, safety, and well-being
8 of each resident residing in each licensed adult family home.

9 (3) Adult family homes shall be maintained internally and
10 externally in good repair and condition. Such homes shall have safe
11 and functioning systems for heating, cooling, hot and cold water,
12 electricity, plumbing, garbage disposal, sewage, cooking, laundry,
13 artificial and natural light, ventilation, and any other feature of
14 the home.

15 (4) In order to preserve and promote the residential home-like
16 nature of adult family homes, adult family homes licensed after
17 August 24, 2011, shall:

18 (a) Have sufficient space to accommodate all residents at one
19 time in the dining and living room areas;

20 (b) Have hallways and doorways wide enough to accommodate
21 residents who use mobility aids such as wheelchairs and walkers; and

22 (c) Have outdoor areas that are safe and accessible for residents
23 to use.

24 (5) The adult family home must provide all residents access to
25 resident common areas throughout the adult family home including, but
26 not limited to, kitchens, dining and living areas, and bathrooms, to
27 the extent that they are safe under the resident's care plan.

28 (6) Adult family homes shall be maintained in a clean and
29 sanitary manner, including proper sewage disposal, food handling, and
30 hygiene practices.

31 (7) Adult family homes shall develop a fire drill plan for
32 emergency evacuation of residents, shall have working smoke detectors

1 in each bedroom where a resident is located, and shall have working
2 fire extinguishers on each floor of the home(~~(, and shall not keep~~
3 ~~nonambulatory patients above the first floor of the home)~~). Residents
4 who need assistance evacuating must have a bedroom on the floor of
5 the home from which the resident can be evacuated to the designated
6 safe location outside the home without the use of stairs, elevators,
7 chairlifts, or platform lifts.

8 (8) The adult family home shall ensure that all residents can be
9 safely evacuated from the home in an emergency as established by the
10 department in rule. The rules established by the department must be
11 developed in consultation with the largest organization representing
12 fire chiefs in the state of Washington and must include requirements
13 for initial licensing and annual fire marshal inspections.

14 (9) Adult family homes shall have clean, functioning, and safe
15 household items and furnishings.

16 (10) Adult family homes shall provide a nutritious and balanced
17 diet and shall recognize residents' needs for special diets.

18 (11) Adult family homes shall establish health care procedures
19 for the care of residents including medication administration and
20 emergency medical care.

21 (a) Adult family home residents shall be permitted to self-
22 administer medications.

23 (b) Adult family home providers may administer medications and
24 deliver special care only to the extent authorized by law.

25 (12) Adult family home providers shall either: (a) Reside at the
26 adult family home; or (b) employ or otherwise contract with a
27 qualified resident manager to reside at the adult family home. The
28 department may exempt, for good cause, a provider from the
29 requirements of this subsection by rule.

30 (13) A provider will ensure that any volunteer, student,
31 employee, or person residing within the adult family home who will
32 have unsupervised access to any resident shall not have been
33 convicted of a crime listed under RCW 43.43.830 or 43.43.842, or been
34 found to have abused, neglected, exploited, or abandoned a minor or
35 vulnerable adult as specified in RCW 74.39A.056(2). A provider may
36 conditionally employ a person pending the completion of a criminal
37 conviction background inquiry, but may not allow the person to have
38 unsupervised access to any resident.

39 (14) A provider shall offer activities to residents under care as
40 defined by the department in rule.

1 (15) An adult family home must be financially solvent, and upon
2 request for good cause, shall provide the department with detailed
3 information about the home's finances. Financial records of the adult
4 family home may be examined when the department has good cause to
5 believe that a financial obligation related to resident care or
6 services will not be met.

7 (16) An adult family home provider must ensure that staff are
8 competent and receive necessary training to perform assigned tasks.
9 Staff must satisfactorily complete department-approved staff
10 orientation, basic training, and continuing education as specified by
11 the department by rule. The provider shall ensure that a qualified
12 caregiver is on-site whenever a resident is at the adult family home;
13 any exceptions will be specified by the department in rule.
14 Notwithstanding RCW 70.128.230, until orientation and basic training
15 are successfully completed, a caregiver may not provide hands-on
16 personal care to a resident without on-site supervision by a person
17 who has successfully completed basic training or been exempted from
18 the training pursuant to statute.

19 (17) The provider and resident manager must assure that there is:
20 (a) A mechanism to communicate with the resident in his or her
21 primary language either through a qualified person on-site or readily
22 available at all times, or other reasonable accommodations, such as
23 language lines; and
24 (b) Staff on-site at all times capable of understanding and
25 speaking English well enough to be able to respond appropriately to
26 emergency situations and be able to read and understand resident care
27 plans."

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28 On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "homes;" strike the
29 remainder of the title and insert "and amending RCW 70.128.130."

EFFECT: Requires that residents who need assistance evacuating have a bedroom on the floor of the home from which the resident can be evacuated to the designated safe location outside the home without the use of stairs, elevators, chairlifts, or platform lifts. Requires that DSHS develop the related rules in consultation with the largest organization representing fire chiefs in the state and that the rules

include requirements for initial licensing and annual fire marshal inspections.

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