

# FINAL BILL REPORT

## SHB 1694

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Synopsis as Enacted

**Brief Description:** Requiring the department of social and health services to inspect boarding homes at least every eighteen months.

**Sponsors:** By House Committee on Health Care (originally sponsored by Representatives Morrell, Campbell, Cody, Skinner, Clibborn and Dickerson; by request of Department of Social and Health Services).

**House Committee on Health Care**  
**Senate Committee on Health & Long-Term Care**

**Background:**

Boarding homes are currently inspected by the Department of Social and Health Services (Department ) at least annually. The Department also inspects adult family homes. The inspection cycle for adult family homes is at least every 18 months.

**Summary:**

The inspection cycle for boarding homes is changed from annually to at least every 18 months, with a 15-month average. The Department may delay inspections up to 24 months if the boarding home has had three consecutive inspections without a written notice of violations.

**Votes on Final Passage:**

House 95 0  
Senate 48 0 (Senate amended)  
House 77 21 (House concurred)

**Effective:** July 27, 2003