

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action: Without Recommendation as to Passage and Be Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Natural Resources and Rural Communities

Vote: 7 - 0 - 2

Yeas: Cowan, Freeman, Huffman, Maurer, Olson, VanOrman, Tomei

Nays: 0

Exc.: Boone, Dembrow

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Meeting Dates: 3/16

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Requires that liens and releases of liens for long term care facilities be filed in the statutory lien record rather than the record of deeds and mortgages.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Referral to House Committee on Agriculture, Natural Resources and Rural Communities

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: When individuals are rendered services under a written contract in a long term care facility licensed as a skilled nursing facility, intermediate care facility, residential care facility or adult foster home, the individual receiving the care or the individual's estate is liable for the contracted costs of care, including but not limited to medical care, room and board, nursing care, administrative costs, supplies, equipment and ancillary services such as therapies. If the individual or their authorized representative refuses to pay the long term care facility for the services rendered, the unpaid amount plus interest shall be a lien in favor of the long term care facility against the real property of the individual receiving care. Currently, such liens are files in the county's record of deeds and mortgages.