

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action:	Do Pass
Vote:	4 - 0 - 1
Yeas:	Bates, Kruse, Morse, Monnes Anderson
Nays:	0
Exc.:	Shields
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Meeting Dates:	4/25

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Authorizes Director of Department of Human Services (DHS) to impose civil penalties on unlicensed individuals providing adult foster care. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Problems in some adult foster care settings
- Elements of licensure

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: Current statutory remedies for unlicensed adult foster homes do not include explicit authorization to impose financial sanctions. DHS indicates that this ambiguity could lead to the conclusion that financial sanctions may not be an option in terminating unlicensed operations. Other long-term care settings have statutory provisions for financial sanctions.

House Bill 2058 explicitly allows DHS to impose civil penalties on unlicensed individuals providing adult foster care.