

**HB 3359**

**Relating to long term care**

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HB 3359 includes several requirements related to safety, quality, training, licensing, and staffing of residential care facilities, long term care facilities, and adult foster homes licensed by the Department of Human Services. The bill establishes a Residential Care Quality Measurement Program within DHS and creates a Quality Measurement Council to advise the agency regarding Program operations.

Increased workload for DHS is related to licensing condition changes; collecting quality data and developing training; supporting the Council; operating the enhanced oversight and supervision program; and implementation of and compliance with the new staffing tool. The recommended amendment adds \$1.3 million Other Funds expenditure limitation and \$1.3 million Federal Funds expenditure limitation, which will support the program and workload, including 10 positions.

The Other Funds come from licensing fees and civil penalties that accrue to the Quality Care Fund; changes under this bill are expected to increase that revenue stream.

The Capital Construction Subcommittee recommends HB 3359 be amended by the –A6 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.