



## Senate

General Assembly

**File No. 390**

*January Session, 2001*

Substitute Senate Bill No. 312

*Senate, April 23, 2001*

The Committee on Public Health reported through SEN. HARP of the 10th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

### ***AN ACT CONCERNING NURSING HOME CLOSURES.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1     The Department of Social Services, in collaboration with the  
2     Department of Public Health and the Department of Mental Health  
3     and Addiction Services, shall study options for developing a program  
4     pursuant to which nursing homes that are to be closed due to financial  
5     difficulties may be evaluated for use by the Department of Social  
6     Services as intermediate care facilities for persons with subacute  
7     psychiatric disabilities. Not later than February 1, 2002, the  
8     Commissioner of Social Services shall submit a report containing the  
9     department's findings and recommendations to the select committee of  
10    the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public  
11    health, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the  
12    general statutes.

**PH**      *Joint Favorable Subst.*

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**OFA Fiscal Note**

**State Impact:** None

**Affected Agencies:** Departments of Social Services, Public Health, Mental Health and Addiction Services

**Municipal Impact:** None

**Explanation**

**State Impact:**

This bill requires the Department of Social Services (DSS), in collaboration with the Departments of Public Health and Mental Health and Addiction Services, to study using closed nursing home facilities as intermediate care facilities for people with subacute psychiatric disabilities. DSS must submit a report of its findings and recommendation to the General Assembly by February 1, 2002. It is anticipated that the departments can fulfill the requirements of this bill within their anticipated budgetary resources.

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**OLR Bill Analysis**

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**COMMITTEE ACTION**

Public Health Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

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