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Referred to Committee on Public Health

Introduced by:

REP. RYAN, 139th Dist.

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**AN ACT CONCERNING ACCESS TO COMPREHENSIVE FACTUAL
INFORMATION REGARDING A LONG-TERM CARE FACILITY.**

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

- 1 That chapter 368v of the general statutes be amended to require a
- 2 nursing home facility or other long-term care facility to provide the
- 3 following information to a patient's family or patient advocate: (1) The
- 4 patient's bill of rights; (2) the facility's current accreditation status; (3)
- 5 the names and credentials of hands-on and direct care staff; (4) the staff
- 6 to patient ration for all units on all shifts; (5) written assurance that the
- 7 most appropriate and best care practices are in place; and (6) a copy of
- 8 the facility's Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services quality rating
- 9 scale.

Statement of Purpose:

To ensure that family members or patient advocates of those who enter long-term care facilities or nursing home facilities receive comprehensive factual information concerning the care administered by the facility.