



# House of Representatives

General Assembly

**File No. 356**

January Session, 2011

House Bill No. 6452

*House of Representatives, April 4, 2011*

The Committee on Human Services reported through REP. TERCYAK of the 26th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the bill ought to pass.

## **AN ACT CONCERNING GRIEVANCE COMMITTEES IN NURSING HOME FACILITIES.**

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2011*) Each nursing home  
2 facility, as defined in section 19a-521 of the general statutes, shall  
3 establish a grievance committee consisting of (1) two employees of the  
4 nursing home facility appointed by the nursing home administrator,  
5 and (2) one resident elected annually by the residents of the nursing  
6 home facility. Such grievance committee shall (A) review and suggest  
7 changes, as necessary, to the grievance policy of the nursing home  
8 facility, and (B) resolve grievances made by residents in a timely  
9 manner.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>October 1, 2011</i>	New section
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**AGE**      *Joint Favorable C/R*

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**HS**      *Joint Favorable*

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***OFA Fiscal Note******State Impact:*** None***Municipal Impact:*** None***Explanation***

The bill has no fiscal impact as it requires all nursing homes and residential care homes to establish a grievance committee, which does not affect state payments to nursing homes.

***The Out Years******State Impact:*** None***Municipal Impact:*** None

**OLR Bill Analysis****HB 6452*****AN ACT CONCERNING GRIEVANCE COMMITTEES IN NURSING HOME FACILITIES.*****SUMMARY:**

This bill requires every nursing home and residential care home to establish a grievance committee consisting of two employees appointed by the facility's administrator and one resident elected annually by the residents to (1) review and suggest changes, as necessary, to the facility's grievance policy and (2) resolve residents' grievances in a timely manner.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2011

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

## Aging Committee

Joint Favorable Change of Reference  
Yea 7 Nay 4 (03/10/2011)

## Human Services Committee

Joint Favorable  
Yea 13 Nay 5 (03/22/2011)