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Committee Bill No. 5741

LCO No. 4968



Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by:
(PH)

AN ACT CONCERNING SOBER LIVING HOMES.

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2017*) (a) As used in this
2 section, "sober living home" means an alcohol and drug-free residence
3 where (1) unrelated adults who are recovering from a substance use
4 disorder choose to live together in a supportive environment during
5 their recovery, and (2) no formal substance use disorder treatment
6 services are provided.

7 (b) A sober living home may register with the Department of Mental
8 Health and Addiction Services. The department shall establish criteria
9 for the acceptance and revocation of a sober living home registration.
10 Any residence that registers with the department as a sober living
11 home and is occupied by at least one resident who has been diagnosed
12 with opioid use disorder by a licensed health care professional shall, in
13 order to maintain registration, (1) maintain a supply of opioid
14 antagonists on the premises, and (2) provide training in the
15 administration of opioid antagonists to all of its residents. No
16 residence that does not register with the department as a sober living

17 home may advertise or hold itself out as a sober living home in the
18 state.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2017	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To permit sober living homes to register with the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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