
OLR Bill Analysis

sSB 1190

AN ACT REQUIRING NURSING HOMES AND MANAGED RESIDENTIAL COMMUNITIES TO BE EQUIPPED WITH AN AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR.

SUMMARY

This bill requires administrators of nursing homes and managed residential communities (MRCs), by January 1, 2026, to have and maintain an automated external defibrillator (AED) in a central location at the home or MRC. They must (1) make the AED's location known and accessible to staff members and residents and their visiting family members and (2) maintain and test the AED according to the manufacturer's guidelines.

The bill also requires administrators of nursing homes and assisted living services agencies (ALSAs), by this same date, to ensure that at least one staff member at the home or MRC who is trained in CPR and AED use, under the standards of the American Red Cross or American Heart Association, is on the premises during all hours of operation.

Under the bill, as under existing law, MRCs are facilities consisting of private residential units that provide a managed group living environment for people who are primarily age 55 or older. The term excludes state-funded congregate housing facilities. ALSAs are licensed entities that provide, among other things, nursing services and assistance with activities of daily living in MRCs to a population that is chronic and stable.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2025

COMMITTEE ACTION

Public Health Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 31 Nay 1 (02/19/2025)