COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

<u>L.R. No.</u>: 1745-01 <u>Bill No.</u>: SB 457

Subject: Elderly; Health Dept; Nursing and Boarding Homes

<u>Type</u>: Original

<u>Date</u>: March 23, 2005

FISCAL SUMMARY

| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND | | | | |
|--|---------|---------|---------|--|
| FUND AFFECTED | FY 2006 | FY 2007 | FY 2008 | |
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| Total Estimated Net Effect on | | | | |
| General Revenue Fund | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | |

| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS | | | | |
|--|---------|---------|---------|--|
| FUND AFFECTED | FY 2006 | FY 2007 | FY 2008 | |
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| Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | |

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

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| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS | | | | |
|--|---------|---------|---------|--|
| FUND AFFECTED | FY 2006 | FY 2007 | FY 2008 | |
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| Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | |

| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|--|
| FUND AFFECTED | FY 2006 | FY 2007 | FY 2008 | |
| Local Government | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | |

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Social Services** and the **Department of Mental Health** assume this proposal would not fiscally impact their agencies.

Officials from the **Department of Health and Senior Services (DOH)** assume this proposal would not fiscally impact the operations of the DOH. DOH states if a fiscal impact were to result, funds to support the program would be sought through the appropriations process.

| FISCAL IMPACT - State Government | FY 2006 (10 Mo.) | FY 2007 | FY 2008 |
|----------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> |
| FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government | FY 2006 (10 Mo.) | FY 2007 | FY 2008 |
| | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> |

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FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

DESCRIPTION

This proposal prohibits any long-term care facility from relieving an ombudsman volunteer from their duties. Ombudsman volunteers may only be relieved by the regional ombudsman in consultation with the state ombudsman.

This proposal also requires all long-term care facilities to accept ombudsman volunteers when they are available. Any long-term care facility not willing to work with the ombudsman program will be subject to sanctions by the Department of Health and Senior Services.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Department of Health and Senior Services Department of Social Services Department of Mental Health

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