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Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB439

Chairperson: Senator Merv Riepe

Committee: Health and Human Services

Date of Hearing: March 16, 2017

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

The intent of LB439 is to update the Assisted Living Facility Act.

The bill allows, but does not require staff of assisted living facilities to provide complex nursing interventions to residents of the facility and revises the definition of complex nursing interventions.

It changes the definition of authorized representative to include a designee of the resident.

It requires an assisted living facility to enter into a resident services agreement with each resident and defines the term resident services agreement.

It requires that an unlicensed facility that provides assisted-living services for remuneration to at least fifty percent be licensed as an assisted living facility.

It authorizes an assisted living facility to determine if an applicant for admission is admitted or if a resident is retained and establishes criteria for making that determination.

It adds to the information that an assisted living facility must disclose to an applicant for admission. A facility must inform the applicant of the criteria for admission to and continued residence in the assisted-living facility and the process for addressing issues that may prevent admission or continued residence. The assisted-living facility must disclose whether or not the facility provides part-time or intermittent complex nursing intervention.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Anna Wishart