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HB-6985

AN ACT CONCERNING NURSING HOME AND RESIDENTIAL
CARE HOME ABANDONMENT.

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

| Agency Affected | Fund-Effect | FY 26 \$ | FY 27 \$ |
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| Public Health, Dept. | GF - Potential Revenue Gain | Minimal | Minimal |

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill, which makes abandonment of a resident by a nursing home or residential care home (RCH) a class A violation, may result in a minimal revenue gain to the General Fund from civil penalties beginning in FY 26. A class A violation at a nursing home is punishable by a civil penalty up to \$20,000, and a class A violation at an RCH is punishable by a civil penalty up to \$5,000. The extent of the revenue gain, if any, is dependent on the number and location of violations and the Department of Public Health's discretion regarding civil penalties.

The Out Years

The ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future.