

General Assembly

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Referred to Committee on AGING

Introduced by: (AGE)

Raised Bill No. 1175

LCO No. **3815**

AN ACT CONCERNING PUBLIC HEARINGS FOR CERTAIN RATE INCREASES AT ASSISTED LIVING FACILITIES.

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

Section 1. Subsection (e) of section 19a-564 of the general statutes is
repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October* 1, 2025):

4 (e) An assisted living services agency shall: (1) Ensure that all services 5 being provided on an individual basis to clients are fully understood 6 and agreed upon between either the client or the client's representative; 7 (2) ensure that the client or the client's representative are made aware of 8 the cost of any such services; (3) disclose fee increases to a resident or a 9 resident's representative not later than sixty days prior to such fees 10 taking effect; [and] (4) if a fee increase exceeds ten per cent of the 11 previous fee, hold a public informational hearing, not later than thirty 12 days prior to such fee increase taking effect, that provides an 13 opportunity for public commentary, including, but not limited to, 14 commentary by residents, residents' representatives, residents' family 15 members, members of the press and any other member of the public; 16 and (5) provide, upon request, to a resident and a resident's 17 representative the history of fee increases over the past three calendar 18 years. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to limit an assisted 19 living services agency from immediately adjusting fees to the extent 20 such adjustments are directly related to a change in the level of care or 21 services necessary to meet individual resident safety needs at the time 22 of a scheduled resident care meeting or if a resident's change of 23 condition requires a change in services.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2025	19a-564(e)

Statement of Purpose:

To require each assisted living services agency to hold a public informational hearing when the agency increases a fee by more than ten per cent of the previous fee.

[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.]