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"AN ACT CONCERNING PRIVATE EQUITY AND REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST OWNERSHIP OF HOSPITALS AND NURSING HOMES."

Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the
 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2025) (a) As used in this section, (1) "nursing home" has the same meaning as provided in section 19a-490 4 5 of the general statutes, and (2) "investment entity" means a publicly 6 traded or non-publicly traded company that collects capital investments 7 from individuals or entities and purchases a direct or indirect 8 ownership share of a nursing home, and includes a real estate 9 investment trust, as defined in 26 USC 856, as amended from time to 10 time.

11 (b) Not later than February 15, 2026, and upon biennial licensure 12 renewal, each nursing home owned or partially owned by an 13 investment entity shall provide the following information to the 14 Commissioner of Social Services: (1) The name and business address of 15 all ownership entities with a beneficial ownership interest in said 16 nursing home and a statement of whether said ownership entity is an 17 individual, partnership, corporation or other legal entity; (2) the names 18 of the officers, directors, trustees or managing and general partners of 19 any such ownership entity and number of shares owned or ownership 20 percentage of the ownership entity held by each partner; (3) if such 21 ownership entity is a corporation that is incorporated in another state, a 22 certificate of good standing from the Secretary of State of the state of 23 incorporation; (4) the audited and certified financial statements of the 24 ownership entity, if applicable, including (A) a balance sheet as of the 25 end of the most recent fiscal year, (B) income statements for the most 26 recent fiscal year, (C) a cash flow statement from the most recent fiscal 27 year, and (D) an estimate of financing expenses, legal expenses, land 28 costs, marketing costs and other similar costs that the ownership entity 29 expects to incur or become obligated to pay within one year of 30 acquisition of the nursing home; (5) a description of any mortgage loan or other financing used for the initial acquisition or construction of the 31 32 nursing home, subsequent refinancing of any such debt and any 33 subsequent financing of additional debt incurred, including the terms 34 and costs of any such mortgage loan or other financing; (6) a copy of the 35 purchase agreement for the nursing home and any agreement providing 36 for the transfer of ownership interests in the nursing home, including, 37 but not limited to, the real estate agreement, asset agreement, stock 38 agreement or other similar agreement; and (7) any documentation 39 regarding escrow or contingency accounts. Such biennial reports may 40 be submitted to the Commissioner of Social Services in the same format 41 as submitted to the Commissioner of Public Health for licensure 42 renewal.

(c) The Commissioner of Social Services may impose a civil penalty
of one thousand dollars per day on any nursing home that fails to
provide any information required pursuant to subsection (b) of this
section by the date that is thirty days after the date such information is

due. A facility may request a fair hearing on the assessment of any such
civil penalty as an aggrieved person pursuant to section 17b-60 of the
general statutes.

50 (d) A nursing home owned or partially owned by an investment 51 entity with a beneficial ownership interest in said nursing home shall, 52 at the time of application for or renewal of a nursing home license, 53 demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Department of Social Services that 54 it has secured a performance bond or similar form of security in favor of 55 the State of Connecticut in an amount equal to ninety days of operating 56 costs for the nursing home and that such bond or similar form of 57 security shall remain in effect for the duration of the initial license term 58 and any renewal term.

(e) A nursing home owned or partially owned by an investment
entity with a beneficial ownership interest in said nursing home shall,
at the time of application for or renewal of a nursing home license,
submit to the Department of Public Health a copy of the performance
bond or similar form of security required pursuant to subsection (d) of
this section.

(f) No person or entity acquiring ownership on or after October 1,
2025, of real property on which a licensed nursing home operates shall
sell, transfer or otherwise convey such property within five years of
acquisition without written approval from the Department of Public
Health. Such approval shall only be granted upon a showing that the
sale will not negatively impact resident care or operational stability.

71 (g) Not later than February 15, 2027, the Commissioner of Social 72 Services, in consultation with the Commissioner of Public Health, shall 73 review and evaluate the nursing home disclosures provided in 74 accordance with this section and the quality of care at a nursing home 75 owned or partially owned by an investment entity compared to the 76 quality of care at nursing homes under other ownership structures. The 77 commissioners shall report their findings, in accordance with the 78 provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing

79 committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters

80 relating to aging, appropriations and the budgets of state agencies,

81 human services and public health."

This act shall sections:	l take effect as follows	and shall amend the following
Section 1	October 1, 2025	New section