

Congressional Legislative Endorsement 118th Congress

Bill No. and Title: (Number to be assigned) – Nursing Home Improvement and Accountability Act

Committee: To be assigned

Sponsor: Neal, Richard

Co-Sponsors:

Neal, Richard E. [Rep.-D-MA-1]

Legislative history: Introduction pending

Summary of legislation:

This bill establishes reporting, staffing, and other quality control requirements for Medicare skilled nursing facilities and Medicaid nursing facilities. The bill also establishes a demonstration program to evaluate the impact of certain changes to facility design, staffing, and care coordination on the health outcomes of residents in skilled nursing facilities. Among other requirements, selected facilities must serve between 5 and 14 residents, offer private rooms, and have resident and family councils.

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