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AN ACT PROMOTING NURSING HOME RESIDENT QUALITY OF LIFE.

AMENDMENT

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The amendment strikes the language in the underlying bill and the associated fiscal impact.

Section 1 establishes a Class B violation under CGA Sec. 19a-527, which results in a potential minimal General Fund revenue gain starting 7/1/26 to the extent that violations occur, nursing homes are issued civil penalties by the Department of Public Health (DPH), and associated fines are collected. A civil penalty of not more than \$10,000 may be imposed and facilities cannot incur more than one violation per nonconsenting newly admitted resident in one calendar year.

Section 10 may result in a fiscal impact to the Department of Social Services (DSS) associated with forensic audits and related potential civil monetary penalties on certain facilities. The bill specifies that the audited facility would be liable for forensic audit costs under certain circumstances. The amendment also subjects facilities to civil penalties of up to \$1,00 per day until DSS may (1) recover such costs and penalties through reduced Medicaid payments otherwise due to impacted facilities, or (2) receive reimbursement for audit costs and collect civil penalties and reflect an associated revenue gain.

The amendment makes various other changes that are not anticipated

to result in a fiscal impact to the state.

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