
SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

2026 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Health and Welfare to Original Senate Bill No. 405 by Senator Talbot

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, line 2, after "facilities;" delete the remainder of the line and delete line 3

3 AMENDMENT NO. 2

4 On page 1, line 4, delete "rated facilities;" and insert "to provide for a statewide quality
5 oversight initiative for nursing facilities; to provide for goals and strategies;"

6 AMENDMENT NO. 3

7 On page 1, line 5, change "effectiveness" to "reporting"

8 AMENDMENT NO. 4

9 On page 1, line 9, change "One-star" to "Statewide quality oversight for"

10 AMENDMENT NO. 5

11 On page 1, delete lines 10 through 17, delete page 2, and on page 3, delete lines 1 through
12 23, and insert the following:

13 **"A. The Louisiana Department of Health shall develop a statewide quality**
14 **oversight initiative for nursing facilities.**

15 **(1) The short-term goal of the initiative shall be to stabilize performance of**
16 **facilities by identifying gaps, deploying targeted incentives, aligning interventions with**
17 **the most pressing quality risks, and identifying funding for execution of the initiative.**

18 **(2) The long-term goal shall be to create a more robust statewide quality**
19 **oversight system capable of supporting and driving continuous improvement and**
20 **overall system level changes.**

21 **(3) Stakeholders, including trade and advocacy associations, individuals engaged**
22 **in the daily operational practice of nursing facility care, and quality improvement**
23 **organizations, shall be identified and utilized by the department to build a coordinated**
24 **approach centered on collaboration, education, and practical tools.**

25 **B. The Louisiana Department of Health, through the office of aging and adult**
26 **services, shall identify and develop internal subject-matter experts to support the**
27 **statewide quality oversight initiative. The department may utilize such efforts as**
28 **considered appropriate, including but not limited to:**

29 **(1) Data dashboards and public-facing online tools.**

30 **(2) Resident and family satisfaction surveys.**

31 **(3) Staff training plans and ongoing staff training and development.**

32 **(4) Participation in the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services Nursing**
33 **Home Staffing Campaign.**

34 **C. The department shall submit an initial report to the Senate and House**
35 **committees on health and welfare on the status of the statewide quality oversight**
36 **initiative on January 1, 2028, and annually on the first of January thereafter."**