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**HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

2020 First Extraordinary Session

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Health and Welfare to Original House Resolution No. 19 by Representative Willard

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**1** AMENDMENT NO. 1**2** On page 1, line 2, after "Health" and before "to implement" insert "and the Department of  
**3** Veterans Affairs"**4** AMENDMENT NO. 2**5** On page 1, line 3, after "residents" delete the remainder of the line and delete line 4 in its  
**6** entirety and insert in lieu thereof a period "."**7** AMENDMENT NO. 3**8** On page 2, between lines 15 and 16, insert the following:**9** "WHEREAS, the Department of Veterans Affairs operates and maintains  
**10** nursing facilities for veterans pursuant to the provisions of R.S. 29:381 et seq.; and"**11** AMENDMENT NO. 4**12** On page 2, line 19, after "Health" delete the comma "," and delete the remainder of the line  
**13** and insert in lieu thereof "and the Department of Veterans Affairs, each referred to"**14** AMENDMENT NO. 5**15** On page 2, line 21, after "facilities" delete the remainder of the line and insert in lieu thereof  
**16** "licensed and regulated by each department, respectively:"**17** AMENDMENT NO. 6**18** On page 2, delete lines 22 through 24 in their entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following:**19** "(1) The department shall provide all nursing homes, adult residential care  
**20** homes, and adult residential care providers that it regulates the ability to follow  
**21** protocols of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), or other federal  
**22** or state protocols, to use testing to verify that all residents and staff are free of  
**23** COVID-19 infection, whether or not they are symptomatic. All"**24** AMENDMENT NO. 7**25** On page 2, line 29, after "facility level" delete the remainder of the line and delete line 30  
**26** in its entirety and insert in lieu thereof a period "."**27** AMENDMENT NO. 8**28** On page 3, delete lines 1 through 5 in their entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following:**29** "(3) The department shall provide CDC-recommended isolation protocols,  
**30** including but not limited to cohorting, for long-term care facility residents who test  
**31** positive for COVID-19 for the purpose of keeping uninfected persons"

1 AMENDMENT NO. 9

2 On page 3, at the beginning of line 7, change "(5)" to "(4)"

3 AMENDMENT NO. 10

4 On page 3, at the beginning of line 11, change "(6)" to "(5)"

5 AMENDMENT NO. 11

6 On page 3, delete lines 13 through 15 in their entirety

7 AMENDMENT NO. 12

8 On page 3, at the beginning of line 16, change "(8)" to "(6)"

9 AMENDMENT NO. 13

10 On page 3, delete lines 19 through 29 in their entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following:

11                   "(7) The department shall establish a clear process for stakeholders and  
12           patient advocacy organizations to communicate pressing issues and implement  
13           solutions.

14                   BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that these policies shall be implemented as  
15           long as the department accepts state and federal funding to address the COVID-19  
16           pandemic."

17 AMENDMENT NO. 14

18 On page 4, line 2, after "governor" and before "and the secretary" insert a comma "," and  
19 "the secretary of the Department of Veterans Affairs,"