



ARIZONA STATE SENATE
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FACT SHEET FOR S.B. 1210

assisted living; caregivers; training

Purpose

Adds training and testing requirements for certification as an assisted living facility caregiver.

Background

Under current statute, a person who successfully completes the training and competency requirements developed by the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System Administration for in-home direct care workers also satisfies the training requirements for assisted living facility caregivers ([A.R.S. § 36-446.15](#)).

The Board of Examiners of Nursing Care Institution Administrators and Assisted Living Facility Managers (NCIA Board) is responsible for licensing and regulating administrators and managers of nursing care institutions and assisted living facilities. Additional NCIA Board duties include: 1) investigating complaints; 2) disciplining administrators and managers who violate prescribed requirements and prohibitions; 3) updating and developing rules for the regulation of administrators and managers; 4) ensuring qualifications are met prior to issuing a license or certificate; 5) ensuring renewal requirements are met for an administrator's license or manager's certificate; 6) approving and regulating assisted living facility manager and caregiver training programs; and 7) approving continuing education courses ([A.R.S. Title 36, Chapter 4, Article 6](#)).

There is no anticipated fiscal impact to the state General Fund associated with this legislation.

Provisions

1. Requires an individual to complete either of the following to obtain a certification as an assisted living facility caregiver:
 - a) 62 hours of on-the-job training under the direct supervision of specified health professionals or a certified assistant living facility manager with at least five years of experience, and successful completion of the required NCIA Board exam with at least a 75 percent score; or
 - b) completion of the required curriculum and NCIA Board exam.
2. Specifies that only 31 of the 62 hours of on-the-job training may be under the direct supervision of a certified assisted living facility manager.
3. Directs the NCIA Board to prescribe standards by rule for on-the-job training.

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4. Defines *direct supervision* as the on-site, in-view observation and guidance of an assisted living facility caregiver who is in training by a supervising health professional.
5. Makes technical and conforming changes.
6. Becomes effective on the general effective date.

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