The Text of the California Nursing Home NOK Law

An act to add Chapter 12 (commencing with Section 1795) to Division 2 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to care facilities.

AB 1989, Liu. Care facilities: change in health status: violations: notice.

Existing law provides for the licensure and regulation by the State Department of Health Services of health facilities, including skilled nursing facilities, intermediate care facilities, and congregate living health facilities.

Existing law also provides for the licensure and regulation of residential care facilities for the elderly by the State Department of Social Services.

This bill would require a skilled nursing facility, intermediate care facility, congregate living health facility, or residential care facility for the elderly to make reasonable efforts to contact the person named in the resident's admission agreement as the resident's contact person, or the resident's responsible person, within 24hours after a significant change in the resident's health or mental status.