## ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 122—COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

(ON BEHALF OF THE COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE NEEDS RELATED TO THE BEHAVIORAL AND COGNITIVE CARE OF OLDER PERSONS)

## FEBRUARY 11, 2019

Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services

SUMMARY—Requires the Department of Health and Human Services to study the feasibility of establishing certain assisted living facilities in rural areas of this State. (BDR S-100)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.

Effect on the State: Yes.

EXPLANATION - Matter in bolded italics is new; matter between brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to assisted living facilities; requiring the Department of Health and Human Services to study the feasibility of establishing assisted living facilities in rural areas that also provide certain other services; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel's Digest:** 

Existing law establishes separate licensing categories for assisted living facilities and facilities for the care of adults during the day. (NRS 449.004, 449.017) This bill requires the Department of Health and Human Services to study the feasibility of establishing and operating in rural areas of this State assisted living facilities that also provide respite care and the services of a facility for the care of adults during the day.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

- 1 **Section 1.** (Deleted by amendment.)
- 2 **Sec. 2.** (Deleted by amendment.)
- 3 **Sec. 3.** (Deleted by amendment.)





- **Sec. 3.5.** On or before October 1, 2020, the Department of Health and Human Services shall:
  - 1. Study the feasibility of establishing and operating in rural areas of this State assisted living facilities that also provide respite care and the services of a facility for the care of adults during the day, as defined in NRS 449.004. The study must include, without limitation:
  - (a) An analysis of the feasibility of creating a single license for such a facility:
  - (b) Identification of the manner in which such a facility would receive reimbursements from Medicaid:
  - (c) An analysis of the feasibility of recruiting adequate staff to operate such a facility;
  - (d) An analysis of the economic viability of and payment structure of such a facility;
  - (e) Identification of technical, economic and legal barriers to the establishment and operation of such a facility; and
- (f) A possible timeline for creating a pilot program to establish such facilities.
- 2. Present the study at a meeting of the Legislative Committee on Senior Citizens, Veterans and Adults with Special Needs; and
- 3. Submit a written report of the study to the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau for transmittal to the Legislative Committee on Senior Citizens, Veterans and Adults with Special Needs.
  - **Sec. 4.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2019.





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