

ENGROSSED HOUSE  
BILL NO. 2597

By: Wells

An Act relating to vulnerable adults; amending Section 12, Chapter 159, O.S.L. 1993 (56 O.S. Supp. 1997, Section 530.7), which relates to the Oklahoma Adult Companion Home Certification Act; providing for certain opportunity for notice and hearing for issuance of certain certificates; requiring use of existing personnel for such hearings; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 12, Chapter 159, O.S.L. 1993 (56 O.S. Supp. 1997, Section 530.7), is amended to read as follows:

Section 530.7 A. The Department of Human Services may refuse to issue a new license, or may revoke or refuse to renew any certificate issued pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Adult Companion Home Certification Act if the home has violated any of the provisions of the Oklahoma Adult Companion Home Certification Act or the standards promulgated by the Department.

B. No certificate shall be refused, revoked or renewal refused unless the applicant or holder of ~~such~~ a certificate shall have been

given at least thirty (30) days' notice in writing of the grounds of such proposed refusal or revocation ~~or refusal~~.

C. If ~~such~~ the refusal or revocation ~~or refusal~~ is protested to the Commission for Human Services, in writing, within thirty (30) days of receipt of said notice the Commission, or the Department, shall conduct a hearing at which an opportunity is given to the applicant or owner or operator of ~~such~~ a home to present testimony and confront witnesses. Such hearings shall be conducted utilizing existing personnel. No additional personnel is authorized to be hired.

D. Notice of ~~such~~ the hearing shall be given to ~~said~~ the applicant or owner or operator of such home by personal service or by delivery to the proper address by registered mail, at least two (2) weeks prior to the date thereof. If notice of the proposed refusal or revocation ~~or refusal~~ is not so protested, the certification may thereupon be revoked or issuance or renewal thereof refused.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 1998.

Passed the House of Representatives the 4th day of March, 1998.

Speaker of the House of  
Representatives

Passed the Senate the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1998.

President of the Senate