

BILL SUMMARY
1st Session of the 54th Legislature

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| Bill No.: | SB 629 |
| Version: | Committee Substitute |
| Request Number: | 7622 |
| Author: | Rep. Hardin / Sen. Simpson |
| Date: | (revised) 4/3/2013 |
| Impact: | OSDH Costs: |
| | One-time Cost - \$31,500 |
| | Annual Costs - \$950,200 |

Research Analysis

The CS for SB 629 makes continuum of care and assisted living facilities operated by the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs (ODVA) subject to applicable requirements and regulations of the Continuum of Care and Assisted Living Act and the Nursing Home Care Act. The measure requires the Oklahoma State Department of Health (OSDH) to conduct at least one annual unannounced inspection and monthly unannounced visits to each of the facilities operated by ODVA and requires that OSDH dedicate certain inspectors for this purpose only. The measure also prohibits such facilities from employing a nurse aide who is not certified and who is not eligible for placement on the State Health Department's nurse aide registry.

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Fiscal Analysis

The measure makes Department of Veterans Affairs (ODVA) nursing facilities subject to certain State Health Department (OSDH) regulation. OSDH estimates \$31,500 start-up costs, and ongoing annual costs of \$950,200 and 10 FTEs to accomplish the regulation of ODVA facilities required by the measure. [Start-up costs are attributable to software, computer equipment and the purchase of two motorpool cars. Annual ongoing costs are attributable to \$880,500 salary and fringe, \$63,000 travel and motor-pool expenses, and \$6,700 for office space.] The measure does not allow OSDH to recover regulatory costs from ODVA facilities through fees or assessed penalties.

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Other Considerations

None at this time