

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 55th Legislature (2016)

SENATE BILL 1358

By: Griffin

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to the Nursing Home Care Act;  
amending 63 O.S. 2011, Section 1-1922, which relates  
to certain advisory council; expanding scope of  
advisory council to include certain persons;  
directing promulgation of rules; clarifying language;  
and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2011, Section 1-1922, is  
amended to read as follows:

Section 1-1922. A. Each facility shall establish a residents<sup>+</sup>  
and family members advisory council. The administrator shall  
designate a member of the facility staff to coordinate the  
establishment of, and render assistance to, ~~said~~ the council.

B. The composition of the residents<sup>+</sup> and family members  
advisory council shall be specified by Department regulation, but no  
employee or affiliate of a facility shall be a member of any such  
council.

C. The residents<sup>+</sup> and family members advisory council shall  
meet at least once each month with the staff coordinator who shall

1 provide assistance to ~~said~~ the council in preparing and  
2 disseminating a report of each meeting as specified by the  
3 regulations to all residents, the administrator, and the staff.

4 D. Records of the residents<sup>1</sup> and family members advisory  
5 council meetings shall be maintained in the office of the  
6 administrator.

7 E. The residents<sup>1</sup> and family members advisory council shall  
8 communicate to the administrator the opinions and concerns of the  
9 residents and their families. The council shall review procedures  
10 for implementing residents' rights, facility responsibilities and  
11 make recommendations for changes or additions which will strengthen  
12 the facility's policies and procedures as they affect residents'  
13 rights and facility responsibilities.

14 F. The residents<sup>1</sup> and family members advisory council shall be  
15 a forum for:

- 16 1. Obtaining and disseminating information;
- 17 2. Soliciting and adopting recommendations for facility  
18 programming and improvements; and
- 19 3. Early identification and recommendation of orderly  
20 resolution of problems.

21 G. The residents<sup>1</sup> and family members advisory council may  
22 present complaints as provided in Section 1-1924 of this title on  
23 behalf of a resident to the Department.  
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1        H. The State Board of Health shall promulgate rules to  
2 implement the provisions of this section.

3        SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2016.

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