

1 ENGROSSED SENATE  
2 BILL NO. 827

By: Smalley of the Senate

3 and

4 Caldwell of the House

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7 [ Nursing Home Care Act - certain definition -  
8 effective date ]  
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10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

11 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2011, Section 1-1902, as  
12 amended by Section 1, Chapter 288, O.S.L. 2016 (63 O.S. Supp. 2016,  
13 Section 1-1902), is amended to read as follows:

14 Section 1-1902. As used in the Nursing Home Care Act:

15 1. "Abuse" means the willful infliction of injury, unreasonable  
16 confinement, intimidation or punishment, with resulting physical  
17 harm, impairment or mental anguish;

18 2. "Access" means the right of a person to enter a facility to  
19 communicate privately and without unreasonable restriction when  
20 invited to do so by a resident. The state or local "ombudsman", as  
21 that term is defined by the Aging Services Division of the  
22 Department of Human Services pursuant to the Older Americans' Act,  
23 42 U.S.C.A., Section 3001 et seq., as amended, and a case manager  
24 employed by the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse

1 Services or one of its contract agencies shall have right of access  
2 to enter a facility, communicate privately and without unreasonable  
3 restriction with any resident who consents to the communication, to  
4 seek consent to communicate privately and without restriction with  
5 any resident, and to observe all areas of the facility that directly  
6 pertain to the patient care of the resident without infringing upon  
7 the privacy of the other residents without first obtaining their  
8 consent;

9 3. "Administrator" means the person licensed by the State of  
10 Oklahoma who is in charge of a facility. An administrator must  
11 devote at least one-third (1/3) of such person's working time to on-  
12 the-job supervision of the facility; provided that this requirement  
13 shall not apply to an administrator of an intermediate care facility  
14 for the mentally retarded with sixteen or fewer beds (ICF-MR/16), in  
15 which case the person licensed by the state may be in charge of more  
16 than one ICF-MR/16 facility, if such facilities are located within a  
17 circle that has a radius of not more than fifteen (15) miles, the  
18 total number of facilities and beds does not exceed six facilities  
19 and sixty-four beds, and each ICF-MR/16 facility is supervised by a  
20 qualified mental retardation professional. The facilities may be  
21 free-standing in a community or may be on campus with a parent  
22 institution. The ICF-MR/16 may be independently owned and operated  
23 or may be part of a larger institutional operation;

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1       4. "Advisory Board" means the Long-Term Care Facility Advisory  
2 Board;

3       5. "Adult companion home" means any home or establishment,  
4 funded and certified by the Department of Human Services, which  
5 provides homelike residential accommodations and supportive  
6 assistance to three or fewer mentally retarded or developmentally  
7 disabled adults;

8       6. "Board" means State Board of Health;

9       7. "Commissioner" means State Commissioner of Health;

10      8. "Department" means the State Department of Health;

11      9. "Facility" means a nursing facility and a specialized home;  
12 provided this term shall not include a residential care home or an  
13 adult companion home;

14      10. "Nursing facility" means a home, an establishment or an  
15 institution, a distinct part of which is primarily engaged in  
16 providing:

- 17           a. skilled nursing care and related services for
- 18                 residents who require medical or nursing care,
- 19           b. rehabilitation services for the rehabilitation of
- 20                 injured, disabled, or sick persons, or
- 21           c. on a regular basis, health-related care and services
- 22                 to individuals who because of their mental or physical
- 23                 condition require care and services beyond the level
- 24                 of care provided by a residential care home and which

1           can be made available to them only through a nursing  
2           facility.

3 "Nursing facility" does not mean, for purposes of Section 1-851.1 of  
4 this title, a facility constructed or operated by an entity  
5 described in paragraph 7 of subsection B of Section 6201 of Title 74  
6 of the Oklahoma Statutes or the nursing care component of a  
7 continuum of care facility, as such term is defined under the  
8 Continuum of Care and Assisted Living Act, to the extent that the  
9 facility constructed or operated by an entity described in paragraph  
10 7 of subsection B of Section 6201 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma  
11 Statutes contains such a nursing care component;

12       11. "Specialized facility" means any home, establishment, or  
13 institution which offers or provides inpatient long-term care  
14 services on a twenty-four-hour basis to a limited category of  
15 persons requiring such services, including but not limited to a  
16 facility providing health or habilitation services for mentally  
17 retarded or developmentally disabled persons, but does not mean, for  
18 purposes of Section 1-851.1 of this title, a facility constructed or  
19 operated by an entity described in paragraph 7 of subsection B of  
20 Section 6201 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes or the nursing  
21 care component of a continuum of care facility, as such term is  
22 defined under the Continuum of Care and Assisted Living Act, to the  
23 extent that the facility constructed or operated by an entity

1 described in paragraph 7 of subsection B of Section 6201 of Title 74  
2 of the Oklahoma Statutes contains such a nursing care component;

3 12. "Residential care home" means any home, establishment, or  
4 institution licensed pursuant to the provisions of the Residential  
5 Care Act other than a hotel, motel, fraternity or sorority house, or  
6 college or university dormitory, which offers or provides  
7 residential accommodations, food service, and supportive assistance  
8 to any of its residents or houses any resident requiring supportive  
9 assistance. The residents shall be persons who are ambulatory and  
10 essentially capable of managing their own affairs, but who do not  
11 routinely require nursing care; provided, the term "residential care  
12 home" shall not mean a hotel, motel, fraternity or sorority house,  
13 or college or university dormitory, if the facility operates in a  
14 manner customary to its description and does not house any person  
15 who requires supportive assistance from the facility in order to  
16 meet an adequate level of daily living;

17 13. "Licensee" means the person, a corporation, partnership, or  
18 association who is the owner of the facility which is licensed by  
19 the Department pursuant to the provisions of the Nursing Home Care  
20 Act;

21 14. "Maintenance" means meals, shelter, and laundry services;

22 15. "Neglect" means failure to provide goods and/or services  
23 necessary to avoid physical harm, mental anguish, or mental illness;

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1       16. "Owner" means a person, corporation, partnership,  
2 association, or other entity which owns a facility or leases a  
3 facility. The person or entity that stands to profit or lose as a  
4 result of the financial success or failure of the operation shall be  
5 presumed to be the owner of the facility. Notwithstanding the  
6 foregoing, any nonstate governmental entity that has acquired and  
7 owns or leases a facility and that has entered into an agreement  
8 with the Oklahoma Health Care Authority or other state agency  
9 including but not limited to the Department of Human Services to  
10 participate in the nursing facility supplemental payment program  
11 ("UPL Owner") shall be deemed the owner of such facility and shall  
12 be authorized to obtain management services from a management  
13 services provider ("UPL Manager"), and to delegate, allocate and  
14 assign as between the UPL Owner and UPL Manager, compensation,  
15 profits, losses, liabilities, decision-making authority and  
16 responsibilities, including responsibility for the employment,  
17 direction, supervision and control of the facility's administrator  
18 and staff;

19       17. "Personal care" means assistance with meals, dressing,  
20 movement, bathing or other personal needs or maintenance, or general  
21 supervision of the physical and mental well-being of a person, who  
22 is incapable of maintaining a private, independent residence, or who  
23 is incapable of managing his person, whether or not a guardian has  
24 been appointed for such person;

1 18. "Resident" means a person residing in a facility due to  
2 illness, physical or mental infirmity, or advanced age;

3 19. "Representative of a resident" means a court-appointed  
4 guardian or, if there is no court-appointed guardian, the parent of  
5 a minor, a relative, or other person, designated in writing by the  
6 resident; provided, that any owner, operator, administrator or  
7 employee of a facility subject to the provisions of the Nursing Home  
8 Care Act, the Residential Care Act, or the Group Homes for the  
9 Developmentally Disabled or Physically Handicapped Persons Act shall  
10 not be appointed guardian or limited guardian of a resident of the  
11 facility unless the owner, operator, administrator or employee is  
12 the spouse of the resident, or a relative of the resident within the  
13 second degree of consanguinity and is otherwise eligible for  
14 appointment; and

15 20. "Supportive assistance" means the service rendered to any  
16 person which is less than the service provided by a nursing facility  
17 but which is sufficient to enable the person to meet an adequate  
18 level of daily living. Supportive assistance includes but is not  
19 limited to housekeeping, assistance in the preparation of meals,  
20 assistance in the safe storage, distribution, and administration of  
21 medications, and assistance in personal care as is necessary for the  
22 health and comfort of such person. Supportive assistance shall not  
23 include medical service.

24 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2017.

