BILL SUMMARY

1st Session of the 58th Legislature

Bill No.: HB 1677
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Request Number: 7555
Author: Stark
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Impact: No impact

Research Analysis

The committee substitute for HB 1677 creates a law that states that every long-term care facility and assisted living facility shall allow each resident to designate one or more compassionate caregivers. Relatives or compassionate caregivers shall have immediate access to the resident unless the resident or their legally appointed representatives deny or withdraw consent. If access to long-term care facilities and assisted living facilities is restricted to protect resident health and safety, precautions will be taken while ensuring ongoing access to residents by their designated compassionate caregivers. Compassionate caregivers may only have their status revoked if they refuse to comply with reasonable precautions, but visitation cannot be eliminated altogether or further restricted past the bill's provisions by either the facility or the State Department of Health and city or city-county health departments.

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Fiscal Analysis

After review, HB 16770has no fiscal or revenue considerations to the state.

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Other Considerations

None.

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