

BILL SUMMARY
1st Session of the 58th Legislature

Bill No.:	HB 1677
Version:	AMD1
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Impact:	No impact

Research Analysis

The amendment to HB 1677 clarifies that the resident or the resident's legally appointed representatives have the right to deny or withdraw consent for relatives or compassionate caregivers to have immediate access to the resident. The amendment also adds that the State Department of Health and city or city-county health departments cannot eliminate visitation altogether or further restrict it past the bill's provisions.

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. 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.

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Fiscal Analysis

After review, the CS to HB 1677 has no fiscal or revenue considerations to the state.

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Other Considerations

None.