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**LEGISLATIVE BILL 571**

FINAL READING

Introduced by Walz, 15; Wishart, 27.

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Committee: Health and Human Services

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Assisted-Living Facility Act; to amend
- 2 section 71-5901, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to define
- 3 terms; to require assisted-living facilities to provide grievance
- 4 procedures to the Department of Health and Human Services as
- 5 prescribed; to provide a duty for the department; to harmonize
- 6 provisions; and to repeal the original section.
- 7 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. Section 71-5901, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is  
2 amended to read:

3 71-5901 Sections 71-5901 to 71-5908 and section 2 of this act shall  
4 be known and may be cited as the Assisted-Living Facility Act.

5 Sec. 2. (1) For purposes of this section:

6 (a) Grievance means a written expression of dissatisfaction that may  
7 or may not be the result of an unresolved complaint; and

8 (b) Grievance procedure means the written policy of an assisted-  
9 living facility for addressing a grievance from an individual including  
10 an employee or resident.

11 (2) Each assisted-living facility shall, on or before January 1,  
12 2020, provide to the department the grievance procedure provided to an  
13 applicant for admission to the assisted-living facility. When such  
14 grievance procedure is modified, updated, or otherwise changed, the new  
15 grievance procedure shall be provided to the department within seven  
16 business days after such new grievance procedure takes effect. The  
17 department shall make such grievance procedure available to the deputy  
18 public counsel for institutions.

19 Sec. 3. Original section 71-5901, Reissue Revised Statutes of  
20 Nebraska, is repealed.