

## 96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2009 and 2010 HB5218

Introduced 2/3/2010, by Rep. Lou Lang

## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

210 ILCS 45/3-613 new

Amends the Nursing Home Care Act. Provides that a nursing home administrator may seek an order of protection in the name of a resident to protect that resident from abuse, neglect, or financial exploitation pursuant to the Illinois Domestic Violence Act of 1986. Provides that a facility shall take appropriate steps to secure the enforcement of every order of protection entered on behalf of a resident or staff member of which the facility has reasonable knowledge. Provides that such steps include, but are not limited to, reporting violations to an appropriate law enforcement agency. Provides that a facility taking steps to secure the enforcement of a valid order of protection shall be held harmless from sanctions under the Nursing Home Care Act. Provides that a facility reporting a violation of an order of protection shall be held harmless from any sanctions under the Nursing Home Care Act if the facility shows a good faith effort to secure the enforcement of the order of protection. Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning regulation.

## Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The Nursing Home Care Act is amended by adding Section 3-613 as follows:
- 6 (210 ILCS 45/3-613 new)
- 7 Sec. 3-613. Order of protection. An administrator may seek an order of protection in the name of a resident to protect 8 9 that resident from abuse, neglect, or financial exploitation pursuant to the Illinois Domestic Violence Act of 1986. A 10 facility shall take appropriate steps to secure the enforcement 11 12 of every order of protection entered on behalf of a resident or staff member of which the facility has reasonable knowledge. 13 14 Such steps include, but are not limited to, reporting violations to an appropriate law enforcement agency. A facility 15 16 taking steps to secure the enforcement of a valid order of 17 protection shall be held harmless from sanctions under this Act. A facility reporting a violation of an order of protection 18 shall be held harmless from any sanctions under this Act if the 19 20 facility shows a good faith effort to secure the enforcement of 21 the order of protection.
- 22 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon

becoming law. 1