

1 AN ACT concerning health.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Nursing Home Care Act is amended by changing
5 Section 3-417 as follows:

6 (210 ILCS 45/3-417) (from Ch. 111 1/2, par. 4153-417)

7 Sec. 3-417. Transfer or discharge; alternative placements.

8 The Department shall offer transfer or discharge and relocation
9 assistance to residents transferred or discharged under
10 Sections 3-401 through 3-415, including information on
11 available alternative placements. Residents shall be involved
12 in planning the transfer or discharge and shall choose among
13 the available alternative placements, except that where an
14 emergency makes prior resident involvement impossible the
15 Department may make a temporary placement until a final
16 placement can be arranged. Residents may choose their final
17 alternative placement and shall be given assistance in
18 transferring to such place. No resident may be forced to remain
19 in a temporary or permanent placement. Where the Department
20 makes or participates in making the relocation decision,
21 consideration shall be given to proximity to the resident's
22 relatives and friends. The resident shall be allowed 3 visits
23 to potential alternative placements prior to removal, except

1 where medically contraindicated or where the need for immediate
2 transfer or discharge requires reduction in the number of
3 visits.

4 When the Department provides information on available
5 alternative placements in community-based settings for
6 individuals being discharged or transferred from facilities
7 licensed under this Act, the information must include a
8 comprehensive list of a range of appropriate, client-oriented
9 services and the name of and contact information for the ADA
10 coordinator in the relocation locale. The comprehensive list
11 must include the name and contact information for each agency
12 or organization providing those services and a summary of the
13 services provided by each agency or organization. A hotline or
14 similar crisis telephone number must also be provided to
15 individuals relocating into the community.

16 (Source: P.A. 81-223.)

17 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
18 becoming law.