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09800HB1105ham002 LRB098 02758 RPS 57637 a 1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 1105 2 AMENDMENT NO. . Amend House Bill 1105 by replacing everything after the enacting clause with the following: 3 "Section 5. The Nursing Home Care Act is amended by 4 5 changing Section 2-110 as follows: 6 (210 ILCS 45/2-110) (from Ch. 111 1/2, par. 4152-110) 7 Sec. 2-110. (a) Any employee or agent of a public agency, any representative of a community legal services program or any 8 other member of the general public shall be permitted access at 9 10 reasonable hours to any individual resident of any facility, 11 but only if there is neither a commercial purpose nor effect to 12 such access and if the purpose is to do any of the following: 13 (1) Visit, talk with and make personal, social and legal services available to all residents; 14 (2) Inform residents of their rights and entitlements 15 and their corresponding obligations, under federal and 16

State laws, by means of educational materials and
 discussions in groups and with individual residents;

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3 (3) Assist residents in asserting their legal rights
4 regarding claims for public assistance, medical assistance
5 and social security benefits, as well as in all other
6 matters in which residents are aggrieved. Assistance may
7 include counseling and litigation; or

8 (4) Engage in other methods of asserting, advising and 9 representing residents so as to extend to them full 10 enjoyment of their rights.

11 (a-5) If a resident of a licensed facility is an identified offender, any federal, State, or local law enforcement officer 12 or county probation officer shall be permitted reasonable 13 14 access to the individual resident to verify compliance with the 15 requirements of the Sex Offender Registration Act, to verify 16 compliance with the requirements of Public Act 94-163 and this amendatory Act of the 94th General Assembly, or to verify 17 18 compliance with applicable terms of probation, parole, 19 aftercare release, or mandatory supervised release.

(b) All persons entering a facility under this Section shall promptly notify appropriate facility personnel of their presence. They shall, upon request, produce identification to establish their identity. No such person shall enter the immediate living area of any resident without first identifying himself and then receiving permission from the resident to enter. The rights of other residents present in the room shall be respected. A resident may terminate at any time a visit by a person having access to the resident's living area under this Section.

4 (C) This Section shall not limit the power of the 5 Department or other public agency, including, but not limited to, the State Long Term Care Ombudsman Program, otherwise 6 permitted or required by federal or State law to enter and 7 inspect a facility or communicate privately and without 8 9 restriction with a resident with the resident's consent, 10 regardless of whether the resident has a legal guardian or has 11 executed a power of attorney for health care.

(d) Notwithstanding paragraph (a) of this Section, the 12 13 administrator of a facility may refuse access to the facility 14 to any person if the presence of that person in the facility 15 would be injurious to the health and safety of a resident or 16 would threaten the security of the property of a resident or 17 the facility, or if the person seeks access to the facility for 18 commercial purposes. Any person refused access to a facility 19 may within 10 days request a hearing under Section 3-703. In 20 that proceeding, the burden of proof as to the right of the 21 facility to refuse access under this Section shall be on the 22 facility.

23 (Source: P.A. 98-558, eff. 1-1-14.)

24 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect July 1, 25 2014.".