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No: T041

Committee: (HS) \_\_\_\_\_

RESOLUTION

A Resolution to: require Mandatory Registration of Assisted Living Facilities in Texas

WHEREAS, An Assisted Living Facility is an establishment that furnishes, in one or more facilities, food, shelter, and personal care services to its residents, The current legislation permits care of up to three residents per home without state licensure or any other means of identification of such with the State: and,

WHEREAS, Persons residing in unlicensed or unidentified Assisted Living Facilities have been subjected to severe incidents of physical and mental abuse, neglect and financial exploitation. These facilities continue to operate without any monitoring or accountability for the resident's assets, the quality of care or their quality of life indicators; and,

WHEREAS, All elderly and disabled Texans deserve protection from such physical and mental abuse, neglect and financial exploitation, to include risk of death; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED That, the 10th Texas Silver-Haired Legislature encourage and strongly recommend that the 79th Texas Legislature require all Assisted Living Facilities in operation in the State of Texas that accept monetary compensation for food, shelter and assistance with personal care needs for under four (4) residents, unrelated to the proprietor, be required to self-identify as such by registering every two (2) years with the State of Texas for a fee of fifty (\$50) dollars, and be subject to inspection and monitoring by the State to protect the rights and safety of the residents. The Department, or any duly appointed board or committee, may establish by rule the administration of the above process, and is to be effective upon becoming law.

PASSED AND APPROVED this \_\_\_\_ day of September, 2004, by

the \_\_\_\_\_ Committee,

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Chair

PASSED AND APPROVED this \_\_\_\_ day of September, 2004, by

by the Texas Silver-Haired Legislature.

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Chris Kyker, Speaker

ATTEST:

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Al Campbell, Secretary