

April 3, 2003

S 1016. NURSING HOME/MEDICATION ERRORS. *REQUIRING NURSING HOMES TO ESTABLISH A MEDICATION MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND SPECIFYING THE DUTIES OF THE COMMITTEE, AND TO REQUIRE NURSING HOMES TO DO CERTAIN THINGS PERTAINING TO THE REDUCTION OF MEDICATION-RELATED ERRORS TO INCREASE PATIENT SAFETY.* Enacts new GS 131E-128.1 requiring establishment of nursing home medication management advisory committees. Specifies committee membership, duties, and procedures. Requires nursing home quality assurance committee to implement measures to minimize risk of medication-related errors. Requires nursing home administrators to provide staff training regarding prevention of medication errors. Imposes additional duties on consultant pharmacist. Requires nursing homes to submit annual report on medication errors to Dep't of Health and Human Services. Effective Jan. 1, 2004.

Intro. by Berger.

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April 30, 2003

S 1016. NURSING HOME/MEDICATION ERRORS. Intro. 4/3/03. Senate committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Makes technical and clarifying changes. Amends new section GS 131E-128.5 to require that the Sec'y of Health and Human Services contract with a public or private entity to develop and implement a Medication Error Quality Initiative rather than doing it within the Dep't. Provides that the Dep't should use grants and federal funds to implement that provision.

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S 1016. NURSING HOME/MEDICATION ERRORS. Intro. 4/3/03. House committee substitute makes technical changes to 2nd edition.