

Support SB1814 (Holmes)

Assisted Living and Shared Housing Advisory Board

What is the need:

DPH has advisory boards on Long Term Care as well as Home Health, Home Services and Home Nursing Advisory Board, and other settings. There are over 500 assisted living establishments in the state of Illinois. As such, there is a clear need for an Assisted Living and Shared Housing Advisory Board. These advisory boards of providers, consumers and advocates come together to discuss quality, seek regulatory guidance, and provide input on proposed regulations, best practices, and more. This has proven effective in ensuring all impacted voices are heard, not only by the department, but by each other.

What the bill proposes:

- The Governor shall establish an Assisted Living and Shared Housing Advisory Board, which shall consist of members representing the Department of Public Health (DPH), Department on Aging (DoA), providers, advocates, and other stakeholders.
- This advisory body will discuss issues affecting assisted living as well as analyze and make recommendations to the DPH Director on proposed rules related to assisted living.

Vote YES on SB1814 and create a space and opportunity for state agencies and stakeholders to connect and promote quality in assisted living

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