

**HOUSE BILL No. 2846**

By Committee on Health and Human Services

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AN ACT concerning long-term care; establishing a prevention program for the improvement of the quality of long-term care services.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

Section 1. There is hereby established, within the department on aging, a prevention program designed to lend regulatory and best care practices expertise of qualified health professionals who have expertise germane to and are experienced in the treatment of long-term care residents in nursing facilities and other facilities which provide long-term care services. Such program shall be designed to provide advice and direction to nursing facilities and other facilities which provide long-term care services to improve the quality of care provided a resident, appropriate situational responses and regulatory requirements. Such program shall be overseen by the advisory council on aging.

Sec. 2. Upon the inception of the prevention program in section 1, and amendments thereto, three full-time employee registered nurse inspectors shall be removed from the department of health and environment and transferred to the department on aging to be part of the prevention program.

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.