

Amend Amendment No. 2 to **SB 1055** by Davis of Harris by striking page 1, line 4 through page 2, line 8, and substituting the following:

SECTION _____. (a) The Health and Human Services Commission shall convene a workgroup composed of providers, consumer advocates, building inspectors, fire marshals, and other individuals as appropriate to study state laws relating to the delivery of personal care services to four or more persons who are unrelated to the proprietor in settings that are not licensed as assisted living facilities, but are instead settings where one or more residents receive personal care services through one or more home and community support services agencies. The purpose of the study is to perform a comprehensive review of the changing environment in the personal care services delivery system to determine if changes in state licensing and regulation are warranted, and if so, what changes should be considered. The workgroup shall consider, among other things:

- (1) state licensing laws;
- (2) the nature, extent, and differences of consumer needs and preferences;
- (3) the qualifications of persons authorized to provide personal care services; and
- (4) the settings in which personal care services are provided, including the life safety codes applicable to those settings.

(b) Not later than December 1, 2006, the workgroup, with the assistance of the Health and Human Services Commission, shall prepare and deliver a report and make recommendations on the issues studied to the governor, the lieutenant governor, and the speaker of the house of representatives.

(c) This section expires February 1, 2007.