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**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 1129, L.D. 1537, Bill, “An Act To Amend Licensing and Certification Laws Administered by the Department of Health and Human Services”

Amend the bill in section 2 in §1812-G in subsection 1-A by striking out all of paragraph C (page 1, lines 24 to 29 in L.D.) and inserting the following:

'C. "Unlicensed assistive person" or "direct care worker" means an individual employed to provide hands-on assistance with activities of daily living or other services to individuals in homes, assisted living programs, residential care facilities, hospitals and other health care and direct care settings. "Unlicensed assistive person" and "direct care worker" include but are not limited to a direct support professional, residential care specialist, personal support specialist, mental health support specialist, mental health rehabilitation technician, behavior specialist, other qualified mental health professional, certified residential medication aide and registered medical assistant and other direct care workers as described in rules adopted by the department. "Unlicensed assistive person" ~~does~~ and "direct care worker" do not include a certified nursing assistant employed in the capacity of a certified nursing assistant.'

Amend the bill in section 3 in subsection 1 in paragraph D in the 2nd line (page 4, line 34 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "living" the following: 'or other services'

Amend the bill in section 3 in subsection 1 in paragraph D in the 5th line (page 4, line 37 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "includes but is" and inserting the following: 'include but are'

Amend the bill in section 13 in subsection 7 in the last line (page 7, line 10 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "24" and inserting the following: '36'

**SUMMARY**

This amendment adds the phrase "or other services" to the duties of unlicensed assistive persons and direct care workers. The bill proposes to change the minimum

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1 survey requirement for licensure of a renal dialysis unit from 12 to 24 months. The  
2 amendment sets the time period within which a survey must have occurred at 36 months.