FORTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE FIRST SESSION, 2003

March 15, 2003

Mr. Speaker:

Your **JUDICIARY COMMITTEE**, to whom has been referred **HOUSE BILL 723**

has had it under consideration and reports same with recommendation that it **DO PASS**, amended as follows:

- 1. On page 1, line 11, strike "ELIMINATING A REDUNDANT PROCEDURE" and insert in lieu thereof "EXPANDING PROCEDURES".
- 2. On page 3, line 4, after "C." insert "The provisions of this section for intermediate sanctions and civil montetary penalties shall apply to certified nursing facilities only when a federal agency has not imposed the same or similar remedies, sanctions or penalties for the same violations.".
- 3. On page 3, between lines 12 and 13, insert the following new subsection:
- "D. Rules adopted by the department shall permit sanctions, pursuant to Paragraph (1) of Subsection A of this section, for a specific violation in a certified nursing facility if:
- $\hbox{(1)} \quad \text{the state statute or rule is not substantially duplicated by a federal certification rule; or }$
- (2) the department determines intermediate sanctions are necessary if sanctions permitted pursuant to Paragraph (1) of Subsection A of this section do not duplicate a sanction imposed under the authority of 42 U.S.C. 1395 or 1396 for a particular deficiency."
- 4. On page 3, line 13, before "A" insert the subsection designation "E.".

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