Amendment No. 156

Assembly A	(BDR 38-743)				
Proposed by: Assembly Committee on Health and Human Services					
Amends: Summary: Yes Title: Yes Preamble: No Joint Sponsorship: No Digest: Yes					
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EXPLANATION: Matter in (1) *blue bold italics* is new language in the original bill; (2) variations of **green bold underlining** is language proposed to be added in this amendment; (3) red strikethrough is deleted language in the original bill; (4) purple double strikethrough is language proposed to be deleted in this amendment; (5) <u>orange double underlining</u> is deleted language in the original bill proposed to be retained in this amendment.

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A.B. No. 344—Authorizes the establishment of a program to facilitate transition of the care of older persons and vulnerable persons. (BDR 38-743)

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 344 <u>[Assemblywoman]</u> <u>Assemblywomen</u> Thomas <u>and</u> <u>Krasner</u>

MARCH 22, 2021

Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services

SUMMARY—Authorizes the establishment of a program to facilitate transition of the care of older persons and [vulnerable] persons [.] with disabilities. (BDR 38-743)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No. Effect on the State: Yes.

EXPLANATION - Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to public welfare; authorizing the establishment of a program to facilitate the transition of older persons and [vulnerable] persons with disabilities being discharged from a hospital; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law requires the Aging and Disability Services Division of the Department of Health and Human Services to administer certain programs to serve elderly persons and persons with disabilities. (NRS 427A.040) This bill authorizes the Division to establish a program to facilitate the transition of older persons and [vulnerable] persons with disabilities from a hospital to their places of residence. This bill requires the program to: (1) provide for collaboration between hospital staff responsible for a discharge and the older person or [vulnerable] person with a disability being discharged and his or her caregivers; and (2) facilitate the coordination of health care and social services for an older person_or [vulnerable] a person [H] with a disability.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Chapter 427A of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new 1 2 section to read as follows: 1. To the extent that money is available for this purpose, the Division may 3 4 establish by regulation a program to facilitate the transition of older persons and 5 *[vulnerable]* persons with disabilities from a hospital to their places of residence. 6 The program must: 7 (a) **Provide for collaboration between:** (1) Hospital staff who are responsible for discharging an older person or 8 9 [vulnerable] a person [;] with a disability; and

1	(2) The older person on [uuluerable] person with a disability and any
1	(2) The older person or <i>[vulnerable]</i> person with a disability and any
2	caregivers or other persons assisting the older person or [vulnerable] person [;]
3	with a disability; and
4	(b) Facilitate the coordination of health care and social services to support
5	the older person or <i>[vulnerable]</i> person with a disability and any caregivers or
6	other persons assisting the older person or [vulnerable] person [+] with a
7	<u>disability.</u>
8	2. The Division may:
9	(a) Limit the program established pursuant to this section to particular
10	groups of older persons or [vulnerable] persons [;] with disabilities within the
11	limits of available funding;
12	(b) Accept gifts, grants and donations for the purpose of establishing and
13	operating the program; and
14	(c) Use other options available to fund the program, including, without
15	limitation, billing third parties for the services provided by the program <u>H</u> to
16	persons currently covered by the third parties.
17	3. As used in this section:
18	(a) "Older person" means a person who is 60 years of age or older.
19	(b) <u>"Person with a disability" means:</u>
20	(1) A person with a physical disability, as defined in NRS 427A.1222;
21	(2) A person with a related condition, as defined in NRS 427A.1224; or
22	(3) A person with an intellectual disability, as defined in NRS 427A.1226.
23	(c) "Third party" means:
24	(1) An insurer, as defined in NRS 679B.540;
25	(2) A health benefit plan, as defined in NRS 687B.470, for employees
26	which provides coverage for services and care at a hospital;
27	(3) A participating public agency, as defined in NRS 287.04052, and any
28	other local governmental agency of the State of Nevada which provides a system
29	of health insurance for the benefit of its officers and employees, and the
30	dependents of officers and employees, pursuant to chapter 287 of NRS; or
31	(4) Any other insurer or organization providing health coverage or
32	benefits in accordance with state or federal law.
33	→ The term does not include an insurer that provides coverage under a policy of
34	casualty or property insurance.
35	(c) "Vulnerable person" means a person 18 years of age or older who:
36	(1) Suffers from a condition of physical or mental incapacitation because
37	of a developmental disability, organic brain damage or mental illness; or
38	(2) Has one or more physical or mental limitations that restrict the ability
39	of the person to perform the normal activities of daily living.]
40	Sec. 2. 1. This section becomes effective upon passage and approval.
41	2. Section 1 of this act becomes effective:
42	(a) Upon passage and approval for the purpose of adopting any regulations and
43	performing any other preparatory administrative tasks that are necessary to carry
44	out the provisions of this act; and

- - out the provisions of this act; and (b) On October 1, 2021, for all other purposes.