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SB 190 Engrossed

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Proposed law establishes state requirements to correspond with the federal requirements established by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Special Focus Facility (SFF) Program which focuses on nursing homes that have a history of serious quality issues.

Proposed law requires any nursing facility licensed by the La. Dept. of Health that is selected for participation in the SFF Program to be subject to enhanced state oversight.

Proposed law requires the nursing facilities to notify prospective and current residents of participation in the program and give the residents an opportunity to transfer to another nursing facility.

Proposed law requires the nursing facilities to comply with state requirements in addition to CMS requirements for the program.

Proposed law requires the La. Dept. of Health to revoke the license of any nursing facility that fails to meet the requirements for graduation from the program and additional requirements imposed by the department within 18 months.

Effective August 1, 2026.

(Adds R.S. 40:2009.10.2)

#### Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

##### Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Health and Welfare to the original bill

1. Removes candidates for the Special Focus Facility Program from the requirements of proposed law.
2. Changes requirements for staffing increases required for nursing facilities in the program.
3. Removes prohibition on nursing facilities being allowed to enter the program more than once.

4. Removes provisions relative to nursing facilities that graduate from the program and continue to have performance issues.