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Honorable Richard Pan  
Chair, Health Committee  
California State Senate  
Capitol Building, Room 5114  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: AB 1695 (CARRILLO) as amended May 21, 2019 – SUPPORT**

Dear Senator Pan:

Disability Rights California (DRC), a non-profit advocacy organization that advances and protects the rights of Californians with disabilities, **supports AB 1695**. This bill is scheduled for hearing in the Senate Health Committee on July 10, 2019.

This bill requires a free-standing skilled nursing facility (SNF) to provide the Department of Public Health (DPH) with at least 90 days' notice, prior to a sale, transfer or change of ownership.

Lack of transparency in nursing home ownership can negatively impact the care and well-being of residents. Abrupt changes may disrupt established routines relied on by residents. Last year's report by the State Auditor pointed to the need for increased transparency of ownership. Notification to residents before a change of ownership ensures important information is provided before the change occurs. This will protect the facility's residents.

For these reasons, DRC supports this bill. Please contact me if you have any questions about our position or if I can provide any further information.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Curtis Child". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Curtis" and last name "Child" clearly distinguishable.

Curtis Child  
Legislative Director  
Disability Rights California

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