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Subject: Public Comment Notice for Assisted Living Facilities (ALFs)

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**NOTICE REGARDING PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD
FOR THE REVISION OF THE
*Standards for Licensed Assisted Living Facilities (22VAC40-73)***

The changes in *Standards for Licensed Assisted Living Facilities (22VAC40-73)* will be published in the *Virginia Register of Regulations* (Volume 40, Issue 1) on August 28, 2023. The public comment forum will remain open through September 27, 2023. The regulation is being amended to incorporate Chapter [706](#) of the Acts of Assembly (2022) regarding emergency and involuntary discharges of residents in assisted living facilities and the resident's right to appeal the facility's decision to involuntarily discharge the resident.

The revised regulation, *Standards for Licensed Assisted Living Facilities (22VAC40-73)*, can be found in the [Virginia Regulatory Town Hall View Stage](#).

Comments on the proposed regulation may be submitted via Regulatory Town Hall at <http://www.townhall.virginia.gov>; or by mail, fax, or email to: Sharon Lindsay; Associate Director, Senior, Virginia Department of Social Services, Division of Licensing Programs, 801 East Main Street, 9th Floor, Richmond, Virginia 23219; fax (804) 726-7132; email sharon.lindsay@dss.virginia.gov.

When submitting comments, include your name and affiliation (e.g. ALF provider, organization), although this is not required. The summary description of public comments will be accessible to the public on the Regulatory Town Hall website.

These changes become effective November 27, 2023, unless feedback from the public comments request that a Notice of Intended Regulatory Action (NOIRA) be initiated.