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An act relating to regulation of long-term care facilities

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

Sec. 1. 33 V.S.A. § 7102 is amended to read:

§ 7102. DEFINITIONS

As used in this chapter:

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(12) "Insolvent" means:

(A) having generally ceased to pay debts in the ordinary course of business other than as a result of bona fide dispute;

(B) being unable to pay debts as they become due; or

(C) being insolvent within the meaning of federal bankruptcy law.

Sec. 2. 33 V.S.A. § 7110(b) is amended to read:

(b) The licensing agency may take immediate enforcement action when necessary to eliminate a condition which that can reasonably be expected to cause death or serious physical <u>or mental</u> harm to residents or staff before it can be eliminated through the provisions of section 7111 of this title. A licensing agency taking such action shall explain that action and the reasons for it in the notice of violation. Sec. 3. 33 V.S.A. § 7206 is amended to read:

§ 7206. APPOINTMENT OF RECEIVER; HEARING AND ORDER

(a) After the hearing on the merits, the <u>Court court</u> may appoint a receiver from the list provided by the licensing agency if it finds that one <u>or more</u> of the grounds <u>set forth</u> in section 7202 of this chapter is satisfied, and that the person is qualified to perform the duties of a receiver as provided for in section 7205 of this chapter. <u>The court's determination of whether one or more of the</u> <u>grounds set forth in section 7202 of this chapter is satisfied shall be based on</u> <u>the condition of the facility at the time the complaint requesting the</u> <u>appointment of a receiver was filed.</u>

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Sec. 4. EFFECTIVE DATE

This act shall take effect on passage.