

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

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# A Bill

SENATE BILL 1051

5 By: Senator Salmon  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO PROVIDE NOTICE OF DEFICIENCIES TO LONG-  
10 TERM CARE FACILITY RESIDENTS AND THEIR  
11 RESPONSIBLE PARTIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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### Subtitle

13 THE RESIDENT'S NOTIFICATION ACT.  
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17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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19 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 20-10-1207 is amended to read as follows:  
20 20-10-1207. Availability, distribution, and posting of reports and  
21 records.

22 (a) The Office of Long-Term Care, within ten (10) days after the date  
23 of an annual inspection visit or within thirty (30) days after the date of  
24 any interim visit, shall:

25 ~~(1) forward~~ Forward the results of all inspections of long-term  
26 care facilities to:

27 ~~(1)(A)~~ The ombudsman in whose county the inspected  
28 facility is located; and

29 ~~(2)(B)~~ At least one (1) public library or in the absence  
30 of a public library, the county clerk in the county in which the inspected  
31 facility is located; and

32 (2)(A) When the survey results include a deficiency involving  
33 quality of life or quality of care with respect to a particular resident,  
34 notify the following in writing:

35 (i) The resident if he or she is competent;

36 (ii) If the resident is not competent;



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(a) The resident's legal representative; or

(b) If no legal representative for the resident exists, the resident's responsible party and immediate family members.

(B) The notification shall include the description, scope, and severity of the deficiency.

/s/ Salmon