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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
149th GENERAL ASSEMBLY

HOUSE BILL NO. 431

AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 16 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO LONG-TERM CARE FACILITIES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE:

1 Section 1. Amend Chapter 11, Title 16 of the Delaware Code by making insertions as shown by underline as
2 follows:

3 § 1144 Influenza Immunizations.

4 (a) The long-term care facility shall annually offer, beginning no later than October 1st through March 1st of the
5 following year, onsite vaccinations for influenza vaccine to all employees with direct contact with patients at no cost and
6 contingent upon availability of the vaccine.

7 (b) The facility shall keep on record a signed statement from each employee stating that the employee has been
8 offered vaccination against influenza and has either accepted or declined such vaccination.

9 (c) Employment will not be contingent on influenza immunization.

SYNOPSIS

This Act requires long-term care facilities to offer the influenza vaccine to all employees with direct contact with patients. It also requires the facility to keep a record of a signed statement from each employee that the vaccine has been offered.