AN ACT concerning regulation.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Nursing Home Care Act is amended by adding Section 1-116.5 and changing Section 3-610 as follows:

(210 ILCS 45/1-116.5 new)

Sec. 1-116.5. "Misappropriation of a resident's property" means the deliberate misplacement, exploitation, or wrongful temporary or permanent use of a resident's belongings or money without the resident's consent.

(210 ILCS 45/3-610) (from Ch. 111 1/2, par. 4153-610) Sec. 3-610. <u>Duty to report violations.</u>

(a) A facility employee or agent who becomes aware of abuse or neglect of a resident prohibited by Section 2-107 shall immediately report the matter to the Department and to the facility administrator. A facility administrator who becomes aware of abuse or neglect of a resident prohibited by Section 2-107 shall immediately report the matter by telephone and in writing to the resident's representative, and to the Department. Any person may report a violation of Section 2-107 to the Department.

(b) A facility employee or agent who becomes aware of another facility employee or agent's theft or misappropriation of a resident's property must immediately report the matter to the facility administrator. A facility administrator who becomes aware of a facility employee or agent's theft or misappropriation of a resident's property must immediately report the matter by telephone and in writing to the resident's representative, to the Department, and to the local law enforcement agency. Neither a licensee nor its employees or agents may dismiss or otherwise retaliate against a facility

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employee or agent who reports the theft or misappropriation of a resident's property under this subsection.

(Source: P.A. 82-120.)