

HB 2384 -- ELDER ABUSE

SPONSOR: Rehder

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Children and Families by a vote of 7 to 3.

This bill requires a person from the Department of Health and Senior Services who is responding to or investigating a report of elder abuse to provide the alleged perpetrator, if he or she is present during a visit, with written material informing him or her of his or her rights regarding such visit, including but not limited to the right to contact an attorney. The department investigator shall give the alleged perpetrator time to read the materials or shall read the materials to him or her if necessary. Additionally, the department shall make these written materials available to the public at all times on the department's website.

This bill is the same as SB 619 (2016).

PROPOSERS: Supporters say that the bill requires the department to provide written information regarding the families' rights when the department is investigating elder abuse.

Testifying for the bill was Representative Rehder.

OPPOSERS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.

OTHERS: Others testifying on the bill offered to answer any questions for the committee members.

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