

BILL SUMMARY
1st Session of the 58th Legislature

Bill No.:	HB 2566
Version:	CS
Request Number:	7556
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Date:	2/19/2021
Impact:	No impact

Research Analysis

The committee substitute for HB 2566 creates a new law stating that every long-term care facility must provide reasonable access to a resident by family, compassionate caregivers and the Oklahoma Long Term Care Ombudsman, something for which the resident can deny or withdraw consent. Compassionate caregivers are individuals who assist residents with activities of daily living. The resident must also receive reasonable access to health care providers. Long-term care facilities will be required to include and submit procedures for visitation during an emergency in their emergency preparedness plan sent to the Oklahoma Department of Health. The visitation plan must be made available to health care providers, family and compassionate caregivers upon request. Visitation and access is subject to reasonable clinical and safety restrictions as ordered by the Stated Department of Health or the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, but long-term care facilities are not allowed to eliminate all visitations. However, visitation can be temporarily suspended for a period not to exceed seventy-two hours based upon the Oklahoma State Department of Health emergency preparedness plan.

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Fiscal Analysis

To the state.

The CS to HB 2566 has no fiscal or revenue considerations

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Other Considerations

None.