

SCS SB 4 -- IN-HOME SERVICES AND HOME HEALTH AGENCIES

Currently, it is a class A misdemeanor for an in-home services or home health agency to employ a person who refuses to register with, or appears on any background checklist in, the Family Care Safety Registry. This bill moves this provision to a section that permits these persons to apply for a "good cause" waiver and further specifies that it is a misdemeanor to employ these persons to provide in-home or home health services. The bill also modifies the ability of the Department of Health and Senior Services to promulgate rules that would waive hiring restrictions based on the department's employee disqualification list.

The bill has an emergency clause.