



SENATE BILL 863: Streamline Adult Care Home Inspections.

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OVERVIEW: *Senate Bill 863 would reduce duplicative inspections of adult care homes by requiring State and local agencies to accept, and deem their own inspections as passed, when adult care homes are inspected and passed by the Adult Care Licensure Section (Section) of the Division of Health Service Regulation (Division) of the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS). It would also make an appropriation to streamline inspections of adult care homes.*

CURRENT LAW: The Division currently inspects adult care homes annually. Every two years, the Division is required to inspect adult care homes for compliance with physical plant and life-safety requirements. County departments of social services are also required to do routine monitoring of adult care homes, which is reported to and overseen by the Division.

BILL ANALYSIS: Senate Bill 863 would do all of the following:

Section 1. If an adult care home passes an inspection conducted by the Section within three months of a substantially similar inspection by any other State or local department, agency, board, or commission, then the other State or local entity would be required to accept the Section's inspection as if it had done its own inspection, and deem its own inspection as passed.

Section 2. Appropriate \$100,000 in non-recurring funds to DHHS for the purpose of streamlining inspection of adult care homes.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Section 1 would become effective October 1, 2026, and apply to inspections on or after that date. Section 2 would become effective July 1, 2026.

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