- (1) INFORM THE ADMINISTRATIVE HEAD OF THE FACILITY IN WRITING OF THAT DETERMINATION: AND
- (2) REFER THE CASE TO THE STATE'S ATTORNEY OR THE DESIGNATED STATE PROTECTION AND ADVOCACY SYSTEM WITH ALL THE INFORMATION RELATED TO THE DEATH GATHERED DURING THE COURSE OF THE INVESTIGATION.
- (E) IF THE DIRECTOR OR THE DIRECTOR'S DESIGNEE OR THE HEALTH OFFICER OR THE HEALTH OFFICER'S DESIGNEE DETERMINES AFTER INVESTIGATION THAT NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION IS NEEDED, THE DIRECTOR OR THE DIRECTOR'S DESIGNEE OR THE HEALTH OFFICER OR THE HEALTH OFFICER'S DESIGNEE SHALL INFORM THE ADMINISTRATIVE HEAD OF THE FACILITY, THE OFFICE OF THE MEDICAL EXAMINER, AND THE DESIGNATED STATE PROTECTION AND ADVOCACY SYSTEM IN WRITING OF THAT DETERMINATION.
- (C) (1) THE DIRECTOR SHALL COMPILE ANNUALLY A STATUS REPORT FOR THE SECRETARY ON PATIENT DEATHS REPORTED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.
 - (D) (2) AT A MINIMUM, THE STATUS REPORT SHALL NOTE:
 - (1) THE NUMBER OF DEATHS;
 - (2) (II) THE LOCATION OF EACH DEATH;
 - (3) (III) THE CAUSE OF EACH DEATH, IF KNOWN; AND
- (4) (IV) OTHER DATA THE SECRETARY DETERMINES TO BE RELEVANT TO THE STATUS REPORT.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1990.

Approved May 29, 1990.

CHAPTER 502

(Senate Bill 746)

AN ACT concerning

Nursing Homes - Payment of Bills - Interest

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a nursing home from assessing an interest penalty on charges for services provided to a resident of the nursing home until after a certain time; requiring a nursing home to send by certified mail to the person responsible for the past due payment of the charges for services provided to a resident a certain reminder before a certain date requiring a nursing home to