

(b) On or before January 1, 2008, the Department shall report to the Senate Finance Committee and the House Health and Government Operations Committee, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, on the review conducted under subsection (a) of this section, and shall include in the report a discussion of the following issues related to nursing homes in the State:

(1) the status of and demand for electronic monitoring, including the feasibility of and goals for electronic monitoring;

(2) resident-directed care and whether specific State regulations may be barriers to culture change and patients' rights;

(3) the status and rights of family councils;

(4) communication between residents or their legal representatives and nursing homes;

(5) whether specific State regulations should be changed to provide nursing homes with greater flexibility while maintaining safety; and

(6) any other issue that the Department considers necessary to review.

SECTION ~~3~~ 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect ~~October~~ June 1, 2007.

Approved by the Governor, May 8, 2007.

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## CHAPTER 437

(House Bill 865)

AN ACT concerning

### Milk Products - Farmstead Cheese Production - Pilot Study

FOR the purpose of establishing a milk processor - farmstead cheese producer permit; authorizing the holder of a milk processor - farmstead cheese producer permit to perform certain functions and to produce farmstead cheese; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to issue only a certain number of milk processor - farmstead cheese producer permits; establishing certain qualifications for a certain milk processor - farmstead cheese producer permit; providing for the expiration date of a milk processor - farmstead cheese