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## AGENCY MEMORANDUM OF RESPONSE

**TO:** Emily Kaylor  
Director of Regulatory Policy  
Ohio Lieutenant Governor's Office

**FROM:** Mahjabeen Qadir  
Acting General Counsel *MQ*  
Ohio Department of Health

**RE:** O.A.C. Rules 3701-17-01 to -26 (Nursing Home Licensure)

**DATE:** June 29, 2017

Thank you for permission to go forward with original filing with JCARR O.A.C. Rules 3701-17-01 to -26. These rules pertain to nursing home licensure. As you point out, two comments were received during the first posting of the rules. As a result, ODH incorporated recommendations regarding term changes and alterations to staffing assessments. A second posting elicited no comments.

The Ohio Public Health Advisory Board considered the rules at its May 5, 2017 meeting, and unanimously voted to recommend the Director's approval.

c: Travis Butchello, Regulatory Policy Advocate