SENATE HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES AND SENIOR CITIZENS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 675

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: FEBRUARY 22, 2024

The Senate Health, Human Services and Senior Citizens Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 675.

This bill requires adult day care centers to provide reasonable accommodations for certain persons.

Under the bill, to the extent that it is within its capacity, an adult day care center is to make reasonable efforts to accommodate the religious dietary needs of individuals who are in the care of the adult day care center.

The bill defines "adult day care center" to mean an adult day health care services facility licensed pursuant to P.L.1971, c.136 (C.26:2H-1 et seq.), or any center that provides a community-based group program designed to meet the needs of functionally or cognitively impaired adults through an individual plan of care structured to provide a variety of health, social, and related support services in a protective setting during any part of a day but less than 24 hours.

This bill was pre-filed for introduction in the 2024-2025 session pending technical review. As reported, the bill includes the changes required by technical review, which has been performed.