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Section

1 Training in hearing loss care required. Adds § 144D.061. Paragraph (a) requires housing with services establishments that provide assisted living services to satisfy the following training requirements for employees:

- supervisors of direct care staff must have at least two hours of initial training on hearing loss care after hiring and at least two hours of training each year thereafter;
- direct care staff must have at least two hours of initial training on hearing loss care after hiring and at least one hour of training each year thereafter; and
- staff who do not provide direct care must have at least one hour of initial training on hearing loss care after hiring and at least 30 minutes of training each year thereafter.

Paragraph (b) specifies areas of required training, including an explanation of age-related hearing loss, health impacts related to untreated age-related hearing loss, and information about ways to enhance communication and involvement of people with age-related hearing loss.