

This document is a comment on the preliminary DRAFT final regulation. On June 24, 2009, the Department of Public Welfare provided a DRAFT final regulation for public review and comment. The DRAFT final can be found at : <http://www.irrc.state.pa.us/Documents/SRCDocuments/Regulations/2712/AGENCY/Document-12700.pdf>.

This is an informal process. The Department will consider these comments in preparation of a formal final regulation to be submitted at a later date.

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PA Dept. of Aging
Mr. John M. Hall; Secretary
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Dear Secretary Hall:

I would like to express my deep concerns over the proposed regulation changes to assisted living residences.

Barnabas Court at Brevillier Village in Erie, PA is located within the 4th legislative district which I'm honored to represent. The Brevillier Village complex is a top-rate facility that cares deeply about their residents. It's important to mention that the residence at Barnabas Court made the decision to reside there because this is where they *desire* to be. Although their choices were made for different reasons, I'm positive that they don't want to be displaced because of a new regulation change.

I believe we need to seriously consider adding waivers to existing facilities that are modern, clean and well-managed such as Barnabas Court.

I would be grateful if you would get back to me with your feelings and comments on this matter and I appreciate you taking the time to listen to my thoughts and concerns.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Curt Sonney".

Representative Curt Sonney
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cc: Vicky A. Wittuck, Brevillier Village; VP of Health Care

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