

## CHAPTER 450

**AN ACT** making void and unenforceable certain provisions in nursing home and assisted living facility admission agreements and supplementing Title 2A of the New Jersey Statute.

**BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:*

C.30:13-8.1 Clauses waiving right to sue in nursing home admission agreements void, unenforceable.

1. Any provision or clause waiving or limiting the right to sue for negligence or malpractice in any admission agreement or contract between a patient and a nursing home or assisted living facility licensed by the Department of Health and Senior Services pursuant to the provisions of P.L.1971, c.136 (C.26:2H-1 et seq.), whether executed prior to, on or after the effective date of this act, is hereby declared to be void as against public policy and wholly unenforceable, and shall not constitute a defense in any action, suit or proceeding.

2. This act shall take effect immediately.

Approved January 12, 2002.