**§4357-A. Community living arrangements**

**1. Definitions.**  As used in this section, unless the context indicates otherwise, the following terms have the following meanings.

A. "Community living arrangement" means a housing facility for 8 or fewer persons with disabilities that is approved, authorized, certified or licensed by the State. A community living arrangement may include a group home, foster home or intermediate care facility. [PL 1997, c. 442, §2 (NEW).]

B. "Disability" has the same meaning as the term "handicap" in the federal Fair Housing Act, 42 United States Code, Section 3602. [PL 1997, c. 442, §2 (NEW).]

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**2. Single-family use.**  In order to implement the policy of this State that persons with disabilities are not excluded by municipal zoning ordinances from the benefits of normal residential surroundings, a community living arrangement is deemed a single-family use of property for the purposes of zoning.

[PL 1997, c. 442, §2 (NEW).]

SECTION HISTORY

PL 1997, c. 442, §2 (NEW).

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