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Title 22@ Social Security

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Division 5@ Licensing and Certification of Health Facilities, Home Health Agencies, Clinics, and Referral Agencies

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Article 3@ Services

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Section 73407@ Special Disability Services-Restrictions on Applying Restraints

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