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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 3593

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend House Bill 3593 as follows:

3 on page 3, by replacing lines 5 through 7 with the following:

4 "(10) Third-party individuals or entities are
5 increasingly providing health care services in a hospital
6 building or facility without extending the screening,
7 billing, and"; and

8 on page 4, by replacing lines 8 through 14 with the following:

9 "Outsource" or "outsourcing" means contracting with a
10 person or entity not employed by the hospital or not otherwise
11 on the hospital staff. "Outsourced" or "outsourcing" is
12 distinct from an in-network or out-of-network contracted
13 relationship with an insurer described in Section 50."; and

14 on page 5, line 17, by deleting "on-site"; and

1 on page 5, line 25, by replacing "on-site health care services
2 provided" with "outsourced health care services provided in a
3 hospital building or facility"; and

4 on page 6, by replacing lines 2 through 15 with the following:

5 "(c) In the event the hospital outsources health care
6 services, the hospital's obligations under this Act continue
7 as though the hospital provided the health care services. The
8 provider of the outsourced care shall be responsible for
9 complying with the hospital's financial assistance, charity
10 care, and billing and collections policies upon notification
11 by the hospital that a patient qualifies under such policies
12 before or after bills for such services are submitted to the
13 appropriate billing agent.

14 (d) The hospital and the provider of outsourced health
15 care services shall execute a written agreement setting forth
16 the manner by which the contractor will operate under the
17 hospital's financial assistance policy, screening procedures,
18 reasonable payment plan obligations, collections provisions,
19 and all applicable provisions of this Act. An individual or
20 entity that provides outsourced care for a hospital shall: (i)
21 establish standards and procedures to facilitate compliance
22 with this Act, (ii) cooperate fully with the hospital by
23 providing reasonable access to billing records or documents
24 upon a reasonable request by the hospital, and (iii) monitor
25 all billing-related activity to ensure that the individual or

1 entity's obligations under this Act are carried out.

2 (e) The hospital is responsible for ensuring a provider of
3 outsourced health care services complies with this Act.
4 Nothing in this Section shall, in any way, increase the
5 hospital's medical liability."; and

6 on page 9, by replacing lines 3 through 7 with the following:

7 "Outsource" or "outsourcing" means contracting with a
8 person or entity not employed by the hospital or not otherwise
9 on the hospital staff."; and

10 by replacing line 25 on page 13 through line 18 on page 14 with
11 the following:

12 "(e) In the event the hospital outsources health care
13 services, the hospital's obligations under this Act continue
14 as though the hospital itself provided the health care
15 services. The hospital shall include charges from the
16 third-party individual or entity when calculating the charge,
17 discount, or collectible amount applicable under this Act. The
18 provider of outsourced care shall be responsible for complying
19 with the hospital's financial assistance, charity care, and
20 billing and collections policies upon notification by the
21 hospital that a patient qualifies under such policies before
22 or after bills for such services are submitted to the
23 appropriate billing agent. The hospital and provider of
24 outsourced health care services may agree in writing that

1 charity care and financial assistance provided by an
2 outsourced care provider shall constitute a community benefit
3 provided by the hospital.

4 (f) The hospital's obligation to patients under this Act
5 covers all health care services, including, but not limited
6 to, outsourced health care services provided in a hospital
7 building or facility by a hospital contractor.

8 (g) The hospital and the provider of outsourced health
9 care services shall execute a written agreement setting forth
10 the manner by which the contractor will operate under the
11 hospital's financial assistance and uninsured patient discount
12 policies and all applicable provisions of this Act. An
13 individual or entity that provides outsourced care for a
14 hospital shall: (i) establish standards and procedures to
15 facilitate compliance with this Act, (ii) cooperate fully with
16 the hospital by providing reasonable access to billing records
17 or documents upon a reasonable request by the hospital, and
18 (iii) monitor all billing-related activity to ensure that the
19 individual or entity's obligations under this Act are carried
20 out.

21 (h) The hospital is responsible for ensuring a provider of
22 outsourced health care services complies with this Act.
23 Nothing in this Section shall, in any way, increase the
24 hospital's medical liability."