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To: Subst. Senate Bill No. 181

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"AN ACT CONCERNING EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT CROWDING."

Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. (NEW) (Effective from passage) Not later than January 1, 2025, and annually thereafter, each hospital in the state, except a hospital 4 5 operated exclusively by the state, shall (1) collect the following data 6 from its emergency department for the previous calendar year: (A) The 7 number of patients who received treatment in the emergency 8 department, (B) the number of emergency department patients who were admitted to the hospital, (C) for emergency department patients 9 10 admitted to the hospital, the average length of time from the patient's 11 first presentation to the emergency department until the patient's admission to the hospital, and (D) the number of patients who were 12 13 required to wait in the emergency department for an available bed in

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14 the appropriate unit of the hospital after being admitted to the hospital 15 and the length of time each such patient waited in the emergency 16 department for such available bed, (2) use such data to inform the 17 hospital of potential methods to improve admission efficiencies and 18 develop policies to reduce wait times for admission to the hospital after 19 a patient's presentation to the emergency department, and (3) make such data available to the joint standing committee of the General 20 21 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public health upon 22 the request of one or more of its members."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	from passage	New section