

HOUSE BILL No. 1011

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 16-21-2-17; IC 25-1-9.

Synopsis: Health care charges. Beginning in 2018, requires health care providers to publish and provide to patients the charges for procedures rendered by the health care provider. Beginning in 2020, requires health care providers to publish and provide to patients the charges for each product or service rendered by the health care provider.

Effective: July 1, 2017.

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January 4, 2017, read first time and referred to Committee on Public Health.



First Regular Session of the 120th General Assembly (2017)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning health.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 16-21-2-17 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
2 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
3 1, 2017]: **Sec. 17. (a) As used in this section, "provider facility"**
4 **refers to a hospital, an ambulatory outpatient surgery center, an**
5 **abortion clinic, or a birthing center that is licensed under this**
6 **chapter.**
7 **(b) Beginning January 1, 2018, a provider facility shall:**
8 **(1) review with a patient the charge for a procedure; and**
9 **(2) obtain the patient's signature acknowledging on a written**
10 **copy the reviewed charge for the procedure;**
11 **before the provider facility renders to the patient the procedure.**
12 **This subsection does not apply to an emergency situation.**
13 **(c) Beginning January 1, 2018, a provider facility shall, every six**
14 **(6) months:**
15 **(1) if the provider facility has an Internet web site, publish on**
16 **the provider facility's Internet web site; and**
17 **(2) post in a visible location in the provider facility;**



1 an updated master charge fee list of charges for every procedure
 2 rendered by the provider facility.

3 (d) Beginning January 1, 2020, a provider facility shall:

4 (1) review with a patient the charge for each product or
 5 service; and

6 (2) obtain the patient's signature acknowledging on a written
 7 copy the reviewed charge for the product or service;

8 before the provider facility renders to the patient the product or
 9 service. This subsection does not apply to an emergency situation.

10 (e) Beginning January 1, 2020, a provider facility shall, every six
 11 (6) months:

12 (1) if the provider facility has an Internet web site, publish on
 13 the provider facility's Internet web site; and

14 (2) post in a visible location in the provider facility;

15 an updated master charge fee list of charges for each product or
 16 service rendered by the provider facility.

17 SECTION 2. IC 25-1-9-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
 18 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017]: Sec. 2. (a) Except as provided in
 19 subsection (b), as used in this chapter, "practitioner" means an
 20 individual who holds:

21 (1) an unlimited license, certificate, or registration;

22 (2) a limited or probationary license, certificate, or registration;

23 (3) a temporary license, certificate, registration, or permit;

24 (4) an intern permit; or

25 (5) a provisional license;

26 issued by the board regulating the profession in question, including a
 27 certificate of registration issued under IC 25-20.

28 (b) As used in section 4.5 of this chapter, the term does not
 29 include an individual who holds a license, certification,
 30 registration, or permit issued under IC 25-38.1.

31 SECTION 3. IC 25-1-9-4.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
 32 AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
 33 1, 2017]: Sec. 4.5. (a) Beginning January 1, 2018, a practitioner
 34 shall:

35 (1) review with a patient the charge for a procedure; and

36 (2) obtain the patient's signature acknowledging on a written
 37 copy the reviewed charge for the procedure;

38 before the practitioner renders to the patient the procedure. This
 39 subsection does not apply to an emergency situation.

40 (b) Beginning January 1, 2018, a practitioner shall, every six (6)
 41 months:

42 (1) if the practitioner has an Internet web site, publish on the



- 1 practitioner's Internet web site; and
2 (2) post in a visible location in the practitioner's office;
3 an updated master charge fee list of charges for every procedure
4 rendered by the practitioner.
5 (c) Beginning January 1, 2020, a practitioner shall:
6 (1) review with a patient the charge for each product or
7 service; and
8 (2) obtain the patient's signature acknowledging on a written
9 copy the reviewed charge for the product or service;
10 before the practitioner renders to the patient the product or
11 service. This subsection does not apply to an emergency situation.
12 (d) Beginning January 1, 2020, a practitioner shall, every six (6)
13 months:
14 (1) if the practitioner has an Internet web site, publish on the
15 practitioner's Internet web site; and
16 (2) post in a visible location in the practitioner's office;
17 an updated master charge fee list of charges for each product or
18 service rendered by the practitioner.

