

Hospital Assessment Exemption; Hospital District Board; House Sub. for SB 42

House Sub. for SB 42 exempts a rural emergency hospital licensed under the Rural Emergency Hospital Act from an assessment imposed on hospital providers as part of the Health Care Access Improvement Program.

The bill also requires members of a hospital board to be qualified electors of either the county where the hospital is located or any county adjacent to such county and require a member living in an adjacent county to own real property within the taxing district of the hospital. The bill requires a majority of the members of the hospital board to be residents of the county in which the hospital is located.

The bill takes effect upon publication in the *Kansas Register*.