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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

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RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- HEALTH CARE FACILITIES

Introduced By: Representatives MacBeth, Brien, Azzinaro, Edwards, and Pollard

Date Introduced: February 25, 2010

Referred To: House Corporations

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

- 1           SECTION 1. Chapter 23-28.10 of the General Laws entitled "Health Care Facilities" is  
2 hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:  
3           **23-28.10-38. Billing.** – [In the event of a hospital stay or visit during the course of which](#)  
4 [the patient sees numerous doctors then all doctor bills shall be furnished to the patient within](#)  
5 [forty-five \(45\) days of the hospital visit.](#)  
6           SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION  
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1           This act would require that if a patient has a hospital visit or stay then all doctors that he  
2 or she sees at that time shall submit bills to the patient within forty-five (45) days of the visit.

3           This act would take effect upon passage.

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