

HOUSE BILL 421

By Smith

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8;
Title 56; Title 63 and Title 68, relative to billing of
services.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 56-7-120, is amended by deleting subdivision (d)(1) and substituting the following:

(1) The written notice required by subdivision (c)(2)(B) must be provided to the insured, or the insured's personal representative, prior to when the insured first receives services from the out-of-network, facility-based physician. If the insured is receiving medical services through a hospital emergency department, a mental health facility or any other hospital licensed under title 33, or is incapacitated or unconscious at the time of receiving services, the written notice is not required until the insured is stabilized.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.