

SENATE BILL 2585

By Hensley

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 33;
Title 56; Title 63; Title 68 and Title 71, relative to
episodes of care in payment reform.

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

SECTION 1. The comptroller of the treasury shall study the implementation of episodes of care within the payment reform initiative developed by the bureau of TennCare and the health care finance and administration division of the department of finance and administration in response to a state innovation model initiative grant from the federal centers for Medicare and Medicaid services. The study shall examine the implementation of bonuses and penalties within episodes of care with attention to the equity of the system with respect to providers and its relationship to costs associated with independent actors within individual episodes of care. On or before January 15, 2019, the comptroller shall report on findings and recommendations for legislation concerning the episodes of care program to the health committee of the house of representatives and the health and welfare committee of the senate.

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