

SENATE BILL SUMMARY

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SB 1488

Health Care Consumer's Right to Information Act by Senator Dean

Revises requirements for health care providers and facilities in notifying patients of charges for health care services. Requires an itemized, comprehensible estimate of charges. Requires that a facility not operated by the state publish the undiscounted prices for the current procedure terminology codes for the most commonly performed procedures, commonly prescribed pharmaceuticals, and commonly provided medical supplies.

Revises requirements for billing and written estimates provided to patients by hospitals, ambulatory surgical centers or mobile surgical facilities not operated by the state. Provides that an estimate does not preclude additional charges if the charges are itemized.

Revises the list of patient charge data that may be disclosed by the Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA) to include the undiscounted price list of procedures, pharmaceuticals, and supplies and Medicare reimbursement payment.

Requires that the health care data submitted by health care facilities to the AHCA include information concerning prices for common procedures, pharmaceuticals, and supplies. (See bill for details)