

## Amendment No. 849

Senate Amendment to Assembly Bill No. 342 First Reprint (BDR 40-1163)

**Proposed by:** Committee on Human Resources and Education**Amendment Box:****Resolves Conflicts with:** N/A**Amends:** Summary: No Title: Yes Preamble: No Joint Sponsorship: No Digest: No

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Amend the bill as a whole by deleting sections 1 and 2 and renumbering sections 3 through 6 as sections 1 through 4.

Amend sec. 4, page 3, line 34, by deleting “Each” and inserting:

~~“Each”~~ *Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, each”.*

Amend sec. 4, page 3, between lines 38 and 39 by inserting:

*“5. The Director may exempt a hospital from the requirements of subsection 4 if requiring the hospital to comply with the requirements would cause the hospital financial hardship.”.*

Amend sec. 5, page 4, by deleting lines 2 through 10 and inserting:

~~“Each such institution”~~

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A.B. No. 342—Makes various changes concerning analysis, reporting and provision of health care services.



**2. Each hospital with 100 or more beds** shall file with the Department **in a form and at intervals specified by the Director but at least annually**, a ~~proposed operating budget for the following fiscal year at least 30 days before the start of that fiscal year.~~

~~—2.]~~ **capital improvement report which includes, without limitation, any major service line that the hospital has added or is in the process of adding since the previous report was filed, any major expansion of the existing facilities of the hospital that has been completed or is in the process of being completed since the previous report was filed and any major piece of equipment that the hospital has acquired or is in the process of acquiring since the previous report was filed.”.**

Amend sec. 5, page 4, line 11, by deleting “[2.]”.

Amend sec. 5, page 4, line 12, by deleting:

**“in this State”** and inserting:

**“with 100 or more beds”.**

Amend sec. 5, page 4, by deleting lines 15 through 30 and inserting:

**“(a) The corporate home office allocation methodology of the hospital, if any.**

**(b) The expenses that the hospital has incurred for providing community benefits and the in-kind services that the hospital has provided to the community in which it is located. For the purposes of this paragraph, “community benefits” includes, without limitation, goods, services and resources provided by a hospital to a community to address the specific needs and concerns of that community, services provided by a hospital to the uninsured and underserved persons in that”.**

Amend sec. 5, page 4, by deleting line 34 and inserting:

**“receive full reimbursement.**

*(c) A statement of its policies and procedures for providing discounted services to, or reducing charges for services provided to, persons without health insurance that are in addition to any reduction or discount required to be provided pursuant to NRS 439B.260.*

*(d) A statement of its policies regarding patients' account receivables, including, without limitation, the manner in which a hospital collects or makes payment arrangements for patients' account receivables, the factors that initiate collections and the method by which unpaid account receivables are collected.*

*4. A complete current charge master must be available at each hospital during normal business hours for review by the Director, any payor that has a contract with the hospital to pay for services provided by the hospital, any payor that has received a bill from the hospital and any state agency that is authorized to review such information.”.*

Amend sec. 5, page 4, line 35, by deleting “4.” and inserting “5.”.

Amend sec. 5, page 4, by deleting lines 39 and 40 and inserting:

“accurate and complete [

—3—], to the extent that the certifications and attestations are not required by federal law.

*6. The Director shall require the filing of all reports by”.*

Amend sec. 5, page 5, line 3, by deleting “6.” and inserting “7.”.

Amend sec. 5, page 5, by deleting lines 7 through 9.

Amend sec. 6, page 5, by deleting line 22 and inserting:

*“(b) A summary of the trends of the audits of hospitals in this”.*

Amend sec. 6, page 5, line 27, by deleting “policies” and inserting “methodologies”.

Amend sec. 6, page 5, line 28, by deleting “and”.

Amend sec. 6, page 5, line 33, by deleting “*manner.*” and inserting:

*“manner, which fairly reflect the operations of each hospital;*

*(f) A review and comparison of the policies and procedures used by hospitals in this State to provide discounted services to, and to reduce charges for services provided to, persons without health insurance; and*

*(g) A review and comparison of the policies and procedures used by hospitals in this State to collect unpaid charges for services provided by the hospitals.”.*

Amend sec. 6, pages 5 and 6, by deleting lines 37 through 45 on page 5 and lines 1 through 4 on page 6 and inserting:

*“(a) A review of the health care needs in this State as identified by state agencies, local governments, providers of health care and the general public; and*

*(b) A review of the capital improvement reports submitted by hospitals pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 449.490.”.*

Amend the bill as a whole by adding a new section designated sec. 5, following sec. 6, to read as follows:

**“Sec. 5.** This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.”.

Amend the title of the bill to read as follows:

“AN ACT relating to health care; expanding the classification of hospitals that the Director of the Department of Human Resources is required to audit to ensure compliance with various provisions to restrain the costs of health care; expanding the classification of hospitals that are required to provide information to the Department in a specific form; making various changes concerning the reporting of financial information by certain hospitals to

the Department; making various changes concerning the reporting of information by the Department; requiring the Legislative Committee on Health Care to develop a plan concerning the provision of health care in this State; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.”.

Amend the bill as a whole by adding the following Assemblyman as a primary sponsor:

Assemblyman Perkins.