

Assembly Bill No. 145—Assemblyman Hardy

CHAPTER.....

AN ACT relating to health insurance; revising provisions governing the assignment of benefits; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel's Digest:**

This bill prohibits an insurer that is not licensed in this State and that is obligated to pay benefits for services provided to a person by a hospital or other provider of health care or is obligated to reimburse a person for the costs of such services to make such payments directly to the person if the insurer has notice that the person has assigned the benefits to the hospital or other provider of health care. This bill does not create grounds for civil or criminal liability.

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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN  
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 1.** Chapter 449 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

*1. An insurer that is not licensed in this State pursuant to title 57 of NRS and that is obligated to pay benefits for services provided to a person by a hospital or other provider of health care, or to reimburse a person for the costs of such services, shall not make the payment directly to the person if an itemized statement for the services is submitted to the insurer which clearly indicates that the right of the person to those benefits has been assigned to the hospital or other provider of health care.*

*2. The provisions of this section do not create grounds for civil or criminal liability.*

