



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 561

February Session, 2004

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AN ACT CONCERNING HOSPITAL BILLING PRACTICES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 3 of public act 03-266 is repealed
2 and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2004*):

3 (a) No hospital shall refer to a collection agent, as defined in section
4 [19-509b] 19a-509b, as amended, or initiate an action against an
5 individual patient or such patient's estate to collect fees arising from
6 care provided at a hospital on or after October 1, 2003, unless the
7 hospital has made a determination [that] whether such individual is (1)
8 an uninsured patient, as defined in section 19a-673, as amended, and
9 [is] (2) not eligible for the hospital bed fund.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2004</i>

PH *Joint Favorable Subst.*