



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 5798

January Session, 2005

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AN ACT PROHIBITING THE DENIAL OF MEDICAL SERVICES DUE TO BILLING DISPUTES.

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

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2005*) No health care provider
2 shall deny health care services to a patient due to a billing discrepancy
3 or dispute between the health care provider and the patient's health
4 insurer while such discrepancy or dispute is under review in
5 accordance with established internal or external review procedures.
6 For purposes of this section, "health care provider" has the same
7 meaning as provided in section 19a-17b of the general statutes and
8 "health care services" has the same meaning as provided in section 38a-
9 479aa of the general statutes.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>October 1, 2005</i>	New section
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PH *Joint Favorable Subst.*