



General Assembly

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**Proposed Bill No. 5105**

LCO No. 130



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Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by:

REP. DENNING, 42nd Dist.

***AN ACT REQUIRING HOSPITALS TO HAVE AN URGENT CARE CENTER LOCATED NEAR THEIR EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT TO CARE FOR PATIENTS WHO DO NOT REQUIRE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES.***

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

- 1 That the general statutes be amended to require each hospital to have
- 2 an urgent care center that (1) may be staffed by hospital employees or
- 3 independent health care providers, and (2) shall be located near its
- 4 emergency department, to care for patients who do not require
- 5 emergency medical services.

***Statement of Purpose:***

To give patients seeking urgent care a more affordable option than the services provided at emergency departments.