



General Assembly

Amendment

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LCO No. 5286



Offered by:
REP. CASE, 63rd Dist.

To: Subst. Senate Bill No. 395

File No. 264

Cal. No. 406

(As Amended)

"AN ACT CONCERNING THE REPORTING OF MEDICAL DEBT."

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2024*) Not later than July 1, 2024, the
4 Office of the Healthcare Advocate shall create a notice, to be used by
5 health care providers, to inform consumers of their rights concerning
6 the reporting of medical debt under this act. Such notice shall include,
7 but need not be limited to, (1) a listing of resources available to
8 consumers concerning medical debt, (2) contact information and
9 instructions for consumers to request assistance from the Healthcare
10 Advocate, and (3) how to request a copy of a consumer credit report.
11 Such notice shall be a one-page, plain-language summary of a
12 consumer's rights and shall be available in both English and Spanish, as
13 well as the next five most commonly spoken languages in this state, as
14 determined by the Healthcare Advocate. Any health care provider
15 doing business in this state shall provide such notice to patients in each

16 instance prior to providing any health care goods or health care services.
17 Violation of this section by a health care provider shall be a considered
18 an unfair trade practice."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Sec. 501	July 1, 2024	New section