
SENATE BILL No. 349

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 16-21-2-15.

Synopsis: Hospital physician staff requirement. Requires a hospital with at least 100 beds to have a physician serving nonemergency patients on duty at all times.

Effective: July 1, 2004.

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January 12, 2004, read first time and referred to Committee on Health and Provider Services.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning health.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 16-21-2-15, AS ADDED BY P.L.96-1994,
2 SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JULY 1, 2004]: Sec. 15. **(a)** A hospital with at least one hundred (100)
4 beds shall have on duty at all times at least one (1) physician **to serve**
5 **nonemergency room patients exclusively. The physician must be**
6 licensed under IC 25-22.5. ~~Implementation of this section shall be~~
7 ~~subject to rules promulgated by the state department of health to ensure~~
8 ~~continuous coverage by physicians licensed under IC 25-22.5 for~~
9 ~~inpatient emergencies:~~

10 **(b) A hospital may not require a physician assigned to serve**
11 **nonemergency patients under subsection (a) to serve emergency**
12 **patients during the same period the physician is assigned to serve**
13 **nonemergency patients.**

