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# HOUSE BILL No. 1212

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 16-18-2; IC 16-19-3-30.

**Synopsis:** Task force on credentialing vendors. Requires the state department of health (state department) to establish and staff a task force to develop and implement rules and statewide standards for credentialing health care vendors that provide services in hospitals. Requires the state department to implement the rules not later than January 1, 2012.

**Effective:** Upon passage.

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January 12, 2011, read first time and referred to Committee on Public Health.

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First Regular Session 117th General Assembly (2011)

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## HOUSE BILL No. 1212



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 16-18-2-88.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA  
2 CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS  
3 [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: **Sec. 88.5. "Credentialing", for**  
4 **purposes of IC 16-19-3-30, has the meaning set forth in**  
5 **IC 16-19-3-30(a).**

6 SECTION 2. IC 16-18-2-163.8 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA  
7 CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS  
8 [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: **Sec. 163.8. "Health care vendor",**  
9 **for purposes of IC 16-19-3-30, has the meaning set forth in**  
10 **IC 16-19-3-30(b).**

11 SECTION 3. IC 16-19-3-30 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE  
12 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
13 UPON PASSAGE]: **Sec. 30. (a) As used in this section,**  
14 **"credentialing" means obtaining, verifying, and assessing the**  
15 **qualifications of a health care vendor to provide services in or for**  
16 **a hospital.**

17 (b) As used in this section, "health care vendor" refers to



1 pharmaceutical representatives, medical device representatives,  
2 and other life sciences representatives who are not licensed or  
3 certified as a health care provider but who provide services inside  
4 a hospital licensed under this title.

5 (c) The state department shall establish and staff a task force to  
6 develop rules and statewide standards for credentialing of health  
7 care vendors.

8 (d) The state health commissioner or the commissioner's  
9 designee shall serve as chairperson of the task force. The task force  
10 may not have more than nine (9) members, with at least one (1) of  
11 each of the following:

- 12 (1) A representative of a hospital.
- 13 (2) A representative of the medical device industry.
- 14 (3) A representative of the Indiana Hospital Association.
- 15 (4) A representative of the life sciences industry that provides  
16 services inside a hospital.
- 17 (5) A representative of the pharmaceutical industry.

18 The governor shall make the appointments under this subsection  
19 not later than July 1, 2011.

20 (e) The affirmative votes of a majority of the members are  
21 required for the task force to take action.

22 (f) The rules developed and recommended by the task force  
23 under this section must:

- 24 (1) be consistent with requirements of hospital credentialing  
25 organizations;
- 26 (2) comply with federal law; and
- 27 (3) be ready for implementation by the state department not  
28 later than January 1, 2012.

29 (g) The state department shall:

- 30 (1) adopt the rules recommended by the task force under this  
31 section; and
- 32 (2) implement the rules not later than January 1, 2012.

33 (h) This section expires June 30, 2012.

34 SECTION 4. An emergency is declared for this act.

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