

House Study Bill 608

Bill Text

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1 1 Section 1. Section 142C.15, subsection 4, paragraphs b and
1 2 c, Code 1997, are amended to read as follows:
1 3 b. Not more than thirty percent of the moneys in the fund
1 4 annually may be expended in the form of grants to hospitals
1 5 for reimbursement for costs directly related to the
1 6 development of in-hospital anatomical gift public awareness
1 7 projects, anatomical gift referral protocols, and associated
1 8 administrative expenses. As a condition of receiving a grant,
1 9 a hospital shall demonstrate, through documentation, that the
1 10 hospital, during the previous calendar year, properly complied
1 11 with in-hospital anatomical gift request protocols for

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~~least eighty percent of~~

- all deaths occurring in the hospital

1 13 at a percentage rate which places the hospital in the upper
1 14 fifty percent of all protocol compliance rates for hospitals
1 15 submitting documentation for cost reimbursement under this
1 16 section.

1 17 c. Not more than fifty percent of the moneys in the fund
1 18 annually may be expended in the form of grants to hospitals
1 19 which perform heart, lung, liver, pancreas, or kidney
1 20 transplants. As a condition of receiving a grant, a hospital
1 21 shall demonstrate, through documentation, that the hospital,
1 22 during the previous calendar year, properly complied with in-
1 23 hospital anatomical gift request protocols for

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- all deaths occurring in the hospital at a

1 25 percentage rate which places the hospital in the upper fifty
1 26 percent of all protocol compliance rates for hospitals
1 27 submitting documentation for cost reimbursement under this
1 28 section. The hospital shall submit an application on behalf

1 29 of a patient requiring a transplant in the amount of the costs
1 30 associated with the following, if funds are not available from
1 31 any other third-party payor:

1 32 (1) The costs of the organ transplantation procedure.

1 33 (2) The costs of post-transplantation drug or other
1 34 therapy.

1 35 (3) Other transplantation costs including but not limited
2 1 to food, lodging, and transportation.

2 2 Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. 142C.17 ANNUAL DONATION AND
2 3 COMPLIANCE REPORT.

2 4 The Iowa department of public health, in conjunction with
2 5 any statewide organ procurement organization in Iowa, shall
2 6 prepare and submit a report to the general assembly on or
2 7 before January 1 each year regarding organ donation rates and
2 8 voluntary compliance efforts with hospital organ and tissue
2 9 donation protocols by physicians, hospitals, and other health

2 10 systems organizations. The report shall contain the
2 11 following:

- 2 12 1. An evaluation of organ procurement efforts in the
2 13 state, including statistics regarding organ and tissue
2 14 donation activity as of September 30 of the preceding year.
- 2 15 2. Efforts by any statewide organ procurement organization
2 16 in Iowa, and related parties, to increase organ and tissue
2 17 donation and consent rates.
- 2 18 3. Voluntary compliance efforts with hospital organ and
2 19 tissue donation protocols by physicians, hospitals, and health
2 20 systems organizations and the results of those efforts.
- 2 21 4. Annual contribution levels to the anatomical gift
2 22 public awareness and transplantation fund created in section
2 23 142C.15, and any distributions made from the fund.
- 2 24 5. Efforts and ideas for increasing public awareness of
2 25 the option of organ and tissue donation.
- 2 26 6. Additional information deemed relevant by the
2 27 department in assessing the status and progress of organ and
2 28 tissue donation efforts in the state.

2 29 EXPLANATION

2 30 This bill requires the Iowa department of public health, in
2 31 conjunction with any statewide organ procurement organization,
2 32 to prepare and submit a report to the general assembly on or
2 33 before January 1 each year regarding organ donation rates and
2 34 voluntary compliance efforts with hospital organ and tissue
2 35 donation protocols by physicians, hospitals, and other health
3 1 systems organizations. The report is required to contain an
3 2 evaluation of organ procurement efforts in the state,
3 3 including statistics regarding organ and tissue donation
3 4 activity as of September 30 of the preceding year, efforts by
3 5 any statewide organ procurement organization and related
3 6 parties to increase organ and tissue donation and consent
3 7 rates, voluntary compliance efforts with hospital organ and
3 8 tissue donation protocols by physicians, hospitals, and health
3 9 systems organizations and the results of those efforts, annual
3 10 contribution levels to the anatomical gift public awareness
3 11 and transplantation fund created in Code section 142C.15 and
3 12 any distributions made from the fund, efforts and ideas for
3 13 increasing public awareness of the option of organ and tissue
3 14 donation, and any additional information which is determined
3 15 to be relevant by the department in assessing the status and
3 16 progress of organ and tissue donation efforts in the state of
3 17 Iowa.

3 18 The bill also provides for a change in the threshold
3 19 protocol compliance rate in order for hospitals to qualify for
3 20 anatomical gift public awareness and transplantation fund
3 21 reimbursement grants pursuant to Code section 142C.15,
3 22 subsection 4, paragraphs "b" and "c". Currently, hospitals
3 23 must submit documentation that they are observing organ and
3 24 tissue donation protocols for at least 80 percent of all
3 25 patient deaths in that hospital in order to receive grants
3 26 providing reimbursement for the development and administration
3 27 of organ donation procedures, and expenses related to
3 28 performing organ and tissue transplant operations. The bill
3 29 provides for a new compliance requirement that a hospital has
3 30 achieved a rate of compliance with organ donation procedure
3 31 protocols in the top 50 percent of all hospitals submitting
3 32 documentation to be considered eligible for a reimbursement
3 33 grant.

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