

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 825

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1 Amend Bill, page 1, line 1, by striking out "psychiatric and"

2 Amend Bill, page 1, lines 4 through 17; page 2, lines 1
3 through 30; page 3, lines 1 through 20; by striking out all of
4 said lines on said pages and inserting

5 Section 1. Short title.

6 This act shall be known and may be cited as the
7 Detoxification Bed Registry Act.

8 Section 2. Definitions.

9 The following words and phrases when used in this act shall
10 have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
11 context clearly indicates otherwise:

12 "Bed registry." The detoxification bed registry established
13 under this act.

14 "Department." The Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs of
15 the Commonwealth.

16 "Licensed provider." A hospital-based detoxification or
17 rehabilitation treatment program licensed to provide care for
18 substance use disorder or a licensed nonhospital residential
19 detoxification facility.

20 Section 3. Registry.

21 (a) Development.--The department shall develop and
22 administer an Internet-based detoxification bed registry to
23 collect, aggregate and display information about available beds
24 at a licensed provider's detoxification and rehabilitation
25 facility for the treatment of individuals in need of
26 detoxification.

27 (b) Contents.--The bed registry shall include, but not be
28 limited to, the following:

29 (1) Descriptive information for licensed providers in
30 this Commonwealth, including contact information for each
31 licensed provider.

32 (2) Real-time information updated at least daily
33 regarding the number of beds available at a licensed
34 provider's detoxification and rehabilitation facility and,
35 for each available bed, the type of patient that may be
36 admitted, the level of security provided and other

1 information that may be necessary to allow for the
2 identification of appropriate licensed providers for the
3 treatment of individuals in need of detoxification.

4 (3) A search function to identify available beds that
5 are appropriate for the treatment of individuals experiencing
6 a substance abuse emergency.

7 (c) Participation requirement.--A licensed provider shall
8 participate in the bed registry established under this act and
9 shall designate an employee to report information for inclusion
10 in the bed registry. The designated employee shall serve as a
11 point of contact for addressing requests for information related
12 to data reported to the bed registry. The designated employee
13 shall update daily the information reported to the bed registry.

14 (d) Licensed provider requirements.--In order to be eligible
15 to access the registry, a licensed provider must:

16 (1) submit the information specified under subsection

17 (b) to the bed registry, including providing daily real-time
18 information; or

19 (2) arrange for the licensed provider's contact
20 information to be monitored and accessed at any time in
21 accordance with the department's regulations promulgated
22 under section 4.

23 (e) Private contracting.--The department may enter into a
24 contract with a private entity for the development and
25 administration of the bed registry.

26 Section 4. Regulations.

27 The department shall promulgate regulations necessary to
28 implement this act.

29 Section 5. Effective date.

30 This act shall take effect in 60 days.