THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL
No. 289 Session of 2021

INTRODUCED BY O'NEAL, ECKER, KAUFFMAN, OWLETT, COOK, TOPPER, BROOKS, STAATS, WARNER, GREINER, RYAN, BERNSTINE, SCHEMEL, GROVE, KLUNK, IRVIN, ZIMMERMAN, DAVANZO, METCALFE, REESE, GLEIM, JAMES, HERSHEY, MOUL, SANKEY, B. MILLER AND ROWE, JANUARY 27, 2021

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, JANUARY 27, 2021

AN ACT

Amending the act of July 19, 1979 (P.L.130, No.48), entitled "An act relating to health care; prescribing the powers and duties of the Department of Health; establishing and providing the powers and duties of the State Health Coordinating Council, health systems agencies and Health Care Policy Board in the Department of Health, and State Health Facility Hearing Board in the Department of Justice; providing for certification of need of health care providers and prescribing penalties," in licensing of health care facilities, further providing for right to enter and inspect.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. Section 813(b) of the act of July 19, 1979 (P.L.130, No.48), known as the Health Care Facilities Act, is amended by adding a paragraph to read:

Section 813. Right to enter and inspect.

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(b) Abortion facilities.--

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(3) An abortion facility shall have the following
duties:

(i) Post and update information on the results of an inspection under this section on the abortion facility's publicly accessible Internet website and provide the information to an individual upon request at no cost.

(ii) Post a plan of correction required under section 814(a) on the abortion facility's publicly accessible Internet website within 30 days of receipt of the written notice of a violation under section 814(a) or sooner if directed to do so by the department.

(iii) In complying with this paragraph, ensure that the identity of each patient of the facility remains confidential.

Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.