

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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LONGIETTI, MADDEN, McCLINTON, MILLARD, PASHINSKI, READSHAW
AND SCHWEYER, MAY 15, 2019

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, MAY 15, 2019

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of March 20, 2002 (P.L.154, No.13), entitled
2 "An act reforming the law on medical professional liability;
3 providing for patient safety and reporting; establishing the
4 Patient Safety Authority and the Patient Safety Trust Fund;
5 abrogating regulations; providing for medical professional
6 liability informed consent, damages, expert qualifications,
7 limitations of actions and medical records; establishing the
8 Interbranch Commission on Venue; providing for medical
9 professional liability insurance; establishing the Medical
10 Care Availability and Reduction of Error Fund; providing for
11 medical professional liability claims; establishing the Joint
12 Underwriting Association; regulating medical professional
13 liability insurance; providing for medical licensure
14 regulation; providing for administration; imposing penalties;
15 and making repeals," in medical professional liability,
16 providing for reporting of surveys and inspections.

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

19 Section 1. The act of March 20, 2002 (P.L.154, No.13), known
20 as the Medical Care Availability and Reduction of Error (Mcare)
21 Act, is amended by adding a section to read:

22 Section 517. Reporting of surveys and inspections.

23 (a) Long-term care nursing facilities surveys.--The

24 Department of Health shall have available for public inspection

1 on its publicly accessible Internet website reports of all
2 surveys conducted of long-term care nursing facilities licensed
3 under the act of July 19, 1979 (P.L.130, No.48), known as the
4 Health Care Facilities Act.

5 (b) Personal care home and assisted living residence
6 inspections.--The Department of Human Services shall have
7 available for public inspection on its publicly accessible
8 Internet website reports of all inspections conducted of
9 personal care homes or assisted living residences licensed under
10 the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), known as the Human
11 Services Code.

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