AN ACT

Amending the act of March 20, 2002 (P.L.154, No.13), entitled "An act reforming the law on medical professional liability; providing for patient safety and reporting; establishing the Patient Safety Authority and the Patient Safety Trust Fund; abrogating regulations; providing for medical professional liability informed consent, damages, expert qualifications, limitations of actions and medical records; establishing the Interbranch Commission on Venue; providing for medical professional liability insurance; establishing the Medical Care Availability and Reduction of Error (Mcare) Act, as the Medical Care Availability and Reduction of Error (Mcare) Act, is amended by adding a section to read: Section 517. Use of Department of Health surveys or inspections. The results of surveys or inspections, as defined in section.
802.1 of the act of July 19, 1979 (P.L.130, No.48), known as the Health Care Facilities Act, conducted by the Department of Health may be utilized in civil actions involving the care of patients or residents to show history or course of conduct.

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