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SNYDER, JUNE 27, 2013

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, JUNE 27, 2013

AN ACT

1 Requiring the notification of breast density to patients who
2 receive a mammogram.

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

5 Section 1. Short title.

6 This act shall be known and may be cited as the Breast
7 Density Notification Act.

8 Section 2. Breast density notification and information
9 provided.

10 (a) Inclusion of density information.--Each mammography
11 report provided to a patient by a mammography facility certified
12 by the United States Food and Drug Administration shall include
13 the patient's breast density information based on the Breast
14 Imaging Reporting and Data System established by the American
15 College of Radiology.

16 (b) Notice.--The report shall also include the following

1 notice:

2 If your mammogram demonstrates you have dense breast tissue,
3 which could hide abnormalities, and you have other risk
4 factors for breast cancer that have been identified, you
5 might benefit from supplemental screening tests that may be
6 suggested by your referring physician. A report of your
7 mammography results, which contains information about your
8 breast density, has been sent to your referring physician's
9 office and you should contact him or her if you have any
10 questions or concerns about your breast density or this
11 report.

12 Section 3. Effective date.

13 This act shall take effect in 90 days.