



94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

New Act

Creates the Burn Injury Reporting Act. Requires that an immediate oral report and later a written report be filed of every burn injury that meets one of the following criteria: (i) a person receives a second-degree or third degree burn to 5% or more of the person's body as a whole; (ii) a person sustains a burn to the upper respiratory tract or occurring laryngeal edema due to the inhalation of superheated air; or (iii) a person sustains any burn injury likely to result in death. Provides that the oral report shall consist of notification by telephone within 4 hours of completion of the initial treatment of the burn injury victim to local law enforcement in the jurisdiction where the hospital is located. Lists what must be contained in the report. Provides that information collected in the burn injury reports that could identify the hospital, any health care professional, hospital staff, or the patient shall remain confidential and only be divulged as needed in the investigation or prosecution of a criminal offense. Provides that persons complying with the Act in good faith are not subject to civil or criminal liability or discipline for unprofessional conduct.

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BUDGET AND
IMPACT NOTE ACT
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FISCAL NOTE ACT
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STATE MANDATES
ACT MAY REQUIRE
REIMBURSEMENT

1 AN ACT concerning burn injury reporting.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the Burn
5 Injury Reporting Act.

6 Section 5. Report requirements.

7 (a) All hospitals shall be required to report specified
8 burn injuries to local law enforcement. There shall be filed an
9 immediate oral report and later a written report of every burn
10 injury that meets one of the following criteria:

11 (1) a person receives a second-degree or third degree
12 burn to 5% or more of the person's body as a whole;

13 (2) a person sustains a burn to the upper respiratory
14 tract or occurring laryngeal edema due to the inhalation of
15 superheated air; or

16 (3) a person sustains any burn injury likely to result
17 in death.

18 (b) The oral report shall consist of notification by
19 telephone within 4 hours of completion of the initial treatment
20 of the burn injury victim to local law enforcement in the
21 jurisdiction where the hospital is located.

22 (c) A written report must be filed with the Office of the
23 State Fire Marshal within 72 hours after the patient has been
24 seen.

25 Section 10. Report contents. The report shall consist of
26 the following:

27 (1) Name, address, and date of birth of the victim.

28 (2) Address where the burn injury occurred.

29 (3) Date and time of the burn occurrence.

30 (4) Degree of burn injury, percentage of the body
31 affected by the burn injury, and the specific area of the

1 body affected by the burn injury.

2 (5) The name and address of the facility treating the
3 patient.

4 (6) Any other information required by the appropriate
5 authority.

6 Section 15. Confidentiality. Information collected in
7 these reports that could identify the hospital, any health care
8 professional, hospital staff, or the patient shall remain
9 confidential and only be divulged as needed in the
10 investigation or prosecution of a criminal offense.

11 Section 20. Good faith. With the exception of willful and
12 wanton misconduct, any individual who in good faith acts in
13 accordance with the terms of this Act shall not be subject to
14 any civil or criminal liability or discipline for
15 unprofessional conduct.