

HB0647



95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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Introduced 2/6/2007, by Rep. Rich Brauer

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

210 ILCS 85/6.21

Amends the Hospital Licensing Act. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning umbilical cord blood donation.

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning regulation.

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

4 Section 5. The Hospital Licensing Act is amended by
5 changing Section 6.21 as follows:

6 (210 ILCS 85/6.21)

7 Sec. 6.21. Umbilical cord blood donation.

8 (a) All licensed hospitals shall offer a pregnant patient
9 the ~~the~~ option to donate, to a publicly accessible certified
10 cord blood bank, blood extracted from the umbilical cord
11 following the delivery of a newborn child if the donation can
12 be made at no expense to the patient or hospital for collection
13 or storage.

14 (b) Nothing in this Section obligates a hospital to collect
15 umbilical cord blood if, in the professional judgment of a
16 physician licensed to practice medicine in all its branches or
17 a nurse, the collection would threaten the health of the mother
18 or child.

19 (c) Nothing in this Section imposes a requirement upon any
20 hospital employee, physician, nurse, or hospital that is
21 directly affiliated with a bona fide religious denomination
22 that includes as an integral part of its beliefs and practices
23 the tenet that blood transfer is contrary to the moral

1 principles the denomination considers to be an essential part
2 of its beliefs.

3 (d) Subject to appropriations for that purpose, the
4 Department of Public Health shall make the maximization of
5 umbilical cord blood donations a public health goal. All
6 licensed hospitals and birthing centers shall cooperate with
7 the Department of Public Health in implementing this goal of
8 increasing donations of umbilical cord blood.

9 (Source: P.A. 93-143, eff. 1-1-04; 94-832, eff. 6-5-06.)