

**SB 5629 - DIGEST**

Requires the department of health to convene a stakeholders meeting to review certain recommendations and determine which methods are in use now in the state, and which will best reduce boarding practices in hospitals.

Requires hospitals to provide the department of health with data on their emergency department boarding rates and current activities aimed at reducing boarding at their facilities.

Subjects hospitals, that experience boarding and overcrowding, to a fine of five hundred dollars per patient held per day.