

SHB 2836 - H AMD 1018

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1 On page 4, line 34, after "The" insert "annual"

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3 On page 4, line 35, after "guidelines" insert "as of the time the
4 health care services were provided, or at the time of application for
5 charity care if the application is made within two years of the time
6 of service, the patient has been making good faith efforts towards
7 payment of health care services rendered, and the patient demonstrates
8 eligibility for charity care"

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10 On page 5, line 1, after "(11)" insert "At the hospital's
11 discretion, a hospital may consider applications for charity care at
12 any time, including any time there is a change in a patient's
13 financial circumstances."

14 (12)"

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16 Renumber the remaining subsections consecutively and correct any
17 internal references accordingly.

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EFFECT: Clarifies that for purposes of charity care eligibility, income refers to the patient's annual income at the time health care services are rendered, or at the time of application if the application is made within two years of the services, the patient has been making good faith efforts towards the payment of health care services, and the patient demonstrates eligibility for charity care. States that hospitals may consider applications for charity care at any time.

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