

**CONSUMER ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE**

**PROVIDER CHARGES**

2006 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Eric K. Hutchings**

Senate Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill requires health care facilities, physicians, osteopathic physicians, and dentists to provide consumers, when requested, with a list of charges for professional services provided by the health care provider.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- ▶ amends the Health Care Facility Licensing and Inspection Act to require health care facilities licensed under the act to provide a consumer with information regarding certain charges;

- ▶ amends the Utah Medical Practices Act to require a physician licensed under the act to provide a consumer with information regarding certain charges;

- ▶ amends the Utah Osteopathic Medical Practices Act to require osteopathic physicians to provide consumers with information regarding certain charges; and

- ▶ amends the Dentist and Dental Hygienist Practice Act to require a dentist to provide consumers with information regarding certain charges.

**Monies Appropriated in this Bill:**

None

**Other Special Clauses:**

None



## Utah Code Sections Affected:

## ENACTS:

**26-21-23**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

**58-67-804**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

**58-68-804**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

**58-69-806**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

Section 1. Section **26-21-23** is enacted to read:

**26-21-23. Consumer access to facility charges.**

A health care facility licensed under this chapter shall, when requested by a consumer, make a list of prices available for the consumer which includes the facility's:

(1) 50 most frequently performed:

(a) in-patient procedures; and

(b) out-patient procedures; and

(2) the 50 most commonly prescribed drugs in the facility.

Section 2. Section **58-67-804** is enacted to read:

**58-67-804. Consumer access to provider charges.**

A physician licensed under this chapter shall, when requested by a consumer, make a list of professional charges available for the consumer which includes the physician's 25 most frequently performed:

(1) clinical procedures or clinical services;

(2) out-patient procedures; and

(3) in-patient procedures.

Section 3. Section **58-68-804** is enacted to read:

**58-68-804. Consumer access to provider charges.**

An osteopathic physician licensed under this chapter shall, when requested by a consumer, make a list of professional charges available for the consumer which includes the osteopathic physician's 25 most frequently performed:

(1) clinical procedures or clinical services;

(2) out-patient procedures; and

59           (3) in-patient procedures.

60           Section 4. Section **58-69-806** is enacted to read:

61           **58-69-806. Consumer access to provider charges.**

62           A dentist licensed under this chapter shall, when requested by a consumer, make a list  
63 of professional charges available for the consumer which includes the dentist's 25 most  
64 frequently performed:

65           (1) clinical procedures or clinical services;

66           (2) out-patient procedures; and

67           (3) in-patient procedures.

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**Legislative Review Note**  
**as of 1-18-06 10:08 AM**

Based on a limited legal review, this legislation has not been determined to have a high probability of being held unconstitutional.

**Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel**

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**State Impact**

No fiscal impact.

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**Individual and Business Impact**

Medical providers may be required to expend additional professional time for original compilation of lists.

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