

HEALTH CARE PAYMENT AMENDMENTS

2021 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Mike Winder

Senate Sponsor: Luz Escamilla

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill amends the Accounts Receivable Collection part.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

► provides that a governmental entity within the state that is a health care provider may not collect an overdue payment for a medical material or service from the debtor's income tax overpayment or refund if the debtor:

- has made payment arrangements; and
- is current on payments under the payment arrangements.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

AMENDS:

63A-3-302, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2020, Chapter 297

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

Section 1. Section **63A-3-302** is amended to read:

63A-3-302. Unpaid accounts receivable -- Political subdivision agreement with



28 **local agency.**

29 (1) (a) [Hf] Except as provided in Subsection (1)(b), if any account receivable at any
30 point has been unpaid for 90 days or more, any agency or other authority of the state, or any
31 political subdivision responsible for collection of the account may proceed under this part to
32 collect the delinquent amount.

33 (b) A governmental entity within the state that is a health care provider may not
34 proceed under this part when the account receivable is for a medical material or service and the
35 debtor:

36 (i) has made a payment arrangement with the health care provider; and

37 (ii) is current on payments under the payment arrangement.

38 (2) (a) A political subdivision may enter into an agreement with a local agency under
39 which the local agency, for a reasonable fee that the political subdivision and local agency
40 agree upon, prepares and submits the political subdivision's accounts receivable for collection
41 as provided in this part.

42 (b) Notwithstanding an agreement under Subsection (2)(a), a participating political
43 subdivision shall:

44 (i) establish an agreement with the division for submitting delinquent accounts
45 receivable under this part; and

46 (ii) with respect to the accounts receivable that the participating political subdivision
47 submits through a local agency for collection under this part:

48 (A) receive and respond to an administrative hearing requested under Section
49 [63A-3-305](#); and

50 (B) administer an adjudicative proceeding required under Section [63A-3-306](#).