

# SENATE BILL No. 294

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 16-21-10.

**Synopsis:** Hospital assessment fee. Provides that a physician owned hospital that is ineligible to receive certain Medicaid or Medicare reimbursement is not considered to be a hospital for purposes of the hospital assessment fee. Extends the hospital assessment fee.

**Effective:** June 29, 2025; July 1, 2025.

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January 13, 2025, read first time and referred to Committee on Appropriations.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2024 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning health.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1 SECTION 1. IC 16-21-10-4, AS ADDED BY P.L.205-2013,  
2 SECTION 214, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS  
3 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]: Sec. 4. (a) As used in this chapter,  
4 "hospital" means either of the following:  
5 (1) A hospital (as defined in IC 16-18-2-179(b)) licensed under  
6 this article.  
7 (2) A private psychiatric hospital licensed under IC 12-25.  
8 (b) The term does not include the following:  
9 (1) A state mental health institution operated under IC 12-24-1-3.  
10 (2) A hospital:  
11 (A) designated by the Medicaid program as a long term care  
12 hospital;  
13 (B) that has an average inpatient length of stay that is greater  
14 than twenty-five (25) days, as determined by the office of  
15 Medicaid policy and planning under the Medicaid program;  
16 (C) that is a Medicare certified, freestanding rehabilitation  
17 hospital; or



1 (D) that is a hospital operated by the federal government.  
2 **(3) A physician owned hospital (as defined in**  
3 **IC 16-18-2-179(b)) licensed under this article that is ineligible**  
4 **to receive Medicaid or Medicare reimbursement under**  
5 **Section 6001 of the federal Patient Protection and Affordable**  
6 **Care Act (as defined in IC 12-7-2-136.5).**  
7 SECTION 2. IC 16-21-10-21, AS AMENDED BY P.L.201-2023,  
8 SECTION 148, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS  
9 [EFFECTIVE JUNE 29, 2025]: Sec. 21. This chapter expires ~~June 30,~~  
10 ~~2025.~~ **June 30, 2027.**  
11 SECTION 3. **An emergency is declared for this act.**

