SENATE COMMERCE COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 2428

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: DECEMBER 19, 2022

The Senate Commerce Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Senate Bill No. 2428.

As amended, this bill prohibits medical creditors from reporting any portion of a medical debt which is alleged to be unpaid, to any credit reporting agency, bureau, or data collection facility.

Under the bill, a "medical creditor" is any health care provider that provides health care services and to whom the consumer owes money for health care services, or any person who purchases a debt arising from the receipt of health care services.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS:

The committee amended the bill to remove language prohibiting medical creditors from reporting any portion of a medical debt which is alleged to be unpaid to a collection agency.