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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2015

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RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - GENERATION - TRANSPORTATION -  
STORAGE - TREATMENT - MANAGEMENT AND DISPOSAL OF REGULATED  
MEDICAL WASTE

Introduced By: Representatives Corvese, Regunberg, Handy, Azzinaro, and Shekarchi

Date Introduced: January 29, 2015

Referred To: House Corporations

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1           SECTION 1. Chapter 23-19.12 of the General Laws entitled "Generation -  
2           Transportation - Storage - Treatment - Management and Disposal of Regulated Medical Waste" is  
3           hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

4           **23-19.12-10.1. Hospitals and pharmacies.** – [Notwithstanding any provision of law to](#)  
5           [the contrary contained in any general or public law, rule or regulation, hospitals and pharmacies](#)  
6           [shall provide for public use containers for the collection of sharps as defined in § 23-19.12-](#)  
7           [3\(7\)\(iii\)\(D\).](#)

8           SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION  
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- 1           This act would require hospitals and pharmacies to provide sharps containers for public
- 2 use.
- 3           This act would take effect upon passage.

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