

CHAPTER 2015-109

Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 309

An act relating to patient admission status notification; amending s. 395.301, F.S.; providing requirements for licensed medical facilities for patient notification regarding admission status; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Subsections (9) through (11) of section 395.301, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (10) through (12), respectively, and a new subsection (9) is added to that section to read:

395.301 Itemized patient bill; form and content prescribed by the agency; patient admission status notification.—

(9) If a licensed facility places a patient on observation status rather than inpatient status, observation services shall be documented in the patient's discharge papers. The patient or the patient's proxy shall be notified of observation services through discharge papers, which may also include brochures, signage, or other forms of communication for this purpose.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015.

Approved by the Governor June 10, 2015.

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