

AMENDMENTS TO LB757

Introduced by Fredrickson, 20.

1 1. Insert the following new section:

2 Sec. 2. (1) A health care provider, an emergency medical services
3 provider, a laboratory, or a pharmacy providing medical services,
4 transportation, medications, or other services related to the examination
5 or treatment of injuries arising out of sexual assault as defined in
6 section 29-4309, domestic assault under section 28-323, or child abuse
7 under section 28-707 shall not:

8 (a) Refer a bill for such services to a collection agency or an
9 attorney for collection against the victim or the victim's guardian or
10 family;

11 (b) Distribute information regarding such services and status of
12 payment in any way that would affect the credit rating of the victim or
13 the victim's guardian or family; or

14 (c) Take any other action adverse to the victim or the victim's
15 guardian or family on account of providing such services.

16 (2) This section shall not be construed to prevent an entity
17 described in subsection (1) of this section from otherwise seeking
18 payment for such services from the victim or any other source.

19 (3) If a collection agency or an attorney is referred a debt for a
20 bill described in subsection (1) of this section, then upon notice of the
21 applicability of this section, the collection agency or attorney shall
22 return the debt to the referring health care provider, emergency medical
23 services provider, laboratory, or pharmacy.

24 (4) No private cause of action shall exist under this section
25 against a debt collector.

26 2. Renumber the remaining section accordingly.