

**Amendment No. CA27**

Conference Committee Amendment to  
Assembly Bill No. 52 Second Reprint

(BDR S-448)

**Proposed by:** Conference Committee

**Amendment Box:** Replaces Amendments Nos. CA11 and CA 22.

**Amends:** Summary: Yes Title: Yes Preamble: No Joint Sponsorship: No Digest: Yes

**EXPLANATION:** Matter in (1) ***blue bold italics*** is new language in the original bill; (2) **green bold italic underlining** is new language proposed in this amendment; (3) **~~red strikethrough~~** is deleted language in the original bill; (4) **purple double strikethrough** is language proposed to be deleted in this amendment; (5) **orange double underlining** is deleted language in the original bill that is proposed to be retained in this amendment; and (6) **green bold dashed underlining** is newly added transitory language.

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A.B. No. 52—Requires hospitals in certain larger counties to provide a report of certain information concerning patients to the Legislative Committee on Health Care. (BDR S-448)



ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 52—COMMITTEE ON  
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

(ON BEHALF OF CLARK COUNTY)

PREFILED DECEMBER 6, 2008

Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services

SUMMARY—~~Requires~~ Revises provisions relating to public hospitals and requires hospitals in certain larger counties to provide a report of certain information concerning patients to the Legislative Committee on Health Care. (BDR ~~§1.40~~-448)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: May have Fiscal Impact.  
Effect on the State: Yes.

EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

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AN ACT relating to health care; authorizing a board of county commissioners to adopt procedures to lease the naming rights relating to public hospitals located within the county requiring certain hospitals in certain larger counties to report information to the Legislative Committee on Health Care concerning the transfer of patients to another hospital; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

1        Existing law authorizes the board of county commissioners in certain larger counties  
2        to adopt by ordinance procedures for the sale of naming rights relating to a shooting  
3        range that is owned by the county. (NRS 244.30701) Under existing law, counties and  
4        groups of counties are authorized to establish public hospitals. (Chapter 450 of NRS)  
5        Section 1 of this bill authorizes a board of county commissioners to lease the naming  
6        rights relating to such a hospital and specifies the purposes for which proceeds from the  
7        lease must be used.

8        Hospitals in this State are required to provide emergency services and care, and it is  
9        unlawful for a hospital or a physician working in a hospital emergency room to refuse to  
10      accept or treat a patient in need of emergency services and care. (NRS 439B.410) ~~This~~  
11      Section 2 of this bill requires certain hospitals located in larger counties to provide a report of  
12      certain information to the Legislative Committee on Health Care concerning the transfer of  
13      patients from the hospital to another hospital and the availability of specialty medical services  
14      in the hospital. Such a report must be made quarterly beginning on October 15, 2009, and  
15      cover information from July 1, 2009, through September 30, 2010.

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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN  
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1        Section 1. Chapter 450 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a  
2        new section to read as follows:

3        1. The board of county commissioners of a county in which a public  
4        hospital is located may adopt, by ordinance, procedures for the lease of naming  
5        rights relating to the public hospital, including, without limitation, the lease of  
6        naming rights to:

7        (a) Buildings, improvements, facilities, rooms, features, fixtures and sites  
8        located within the boundaries of the public hospital; and

9        (b) Activities, events, programs, chairs, fellowships and memorials held or  
10      established at the public hospital.

11      2. If a board of county commissioners leases naming rights in accordance  
12      with the procedures adopted pursuant to this section, the board shall create an  
13      enterprise fund exclusively for the proceeds of the lease of all such naming  
14      rights, for fees or charges for use of the hospital and for any gifts, grants,  
15      donations, bequests, devises or money from any other source received for the  
16      public hospital. Any interest or other income earned on the money in the fund,  
17      after deducting any applicable charges, must be credited to the fund. Money that  
18      remains in the fund at the end of a fiscal year does not revert to the county  
19      general fund and the balance in the fund must be carried forward to the next  
20      fiscal year. The money in the fund may only be used to pay for expenses directly  
21      related to the costs of the public hospital for construction, improvement,  
22      operation, maintenance or programs.

23      3. The procedures adopted pursuant to subsection 1 must, without  
24      limitation:

25      (a) Prohibit the lease of naming rights for a public hospital to that public  
26      hospital;

27      (b) Provide that the board of county commissioners may reject any name  
28      proposed pursuant to a lease of naming rights;

29      (c) Provide for the development of selection criteria for awarding a lease of  
30      naming rights, including procedures for circumstances in which more than one  
31      request for the lease of naming rights is submitted to the board of county  
32      commissioners;

33      (d) Provide that the name must be consistent with the mission of the public  
34      hospital;

35      (e) Prohibit the use of a name that:

36      (1) Is false, misleading or deceptive;

37      (2) Promotes unlawful or illegal goods, service or activities;

38      (3) Promotes or encourages hate, violence or antisocial behavior;

39      (4) Implies an endorsement by the county or a public official of any  
40      good, service or activity;

41      (5) Is libelous or defamatory;

42      (6) Contains text or an image that is likely to be confused with safety,  
43      traffic or emergency signage; or

44      (7) Is associated with a person who has been convicted of a felony;

45      (f) Provide that the term of a lease does not exceed 20 years; and

46      (g) Provide that the board of county commissioners:

(1) Shall require the change of a name authorized pursuant to a lease or revoke a lease before the expiration of its term if a change of circumstances results in a violation of the provisions of paragraph (d) or (e); and

(2) May require the change of a name authorized pursuant to a lease or revoke a lease before the expiration of its term for any other purpose in accordance with the procedures adopted pursuant to subsection 1.

4. The terms of a lease granted pursuant to this section may be renegotiated and renewed. Each such renewal must provide that the term of the lease does not exceed 20 years.

5. A lease of naming rights pursuant to this section and the procedures adopted pursuant thereto are not subject to the requirements for competitive bidding set forth in chapter 332 of NRS.

**Section 1.** Sec. 2. 1. Each hospital located in a county whose population is 400,000 or more which is licensed to have more than 70 beds shall provide to the Legislative Committee on Health Care reports with information concerning the transfer of patients from one hospital to another hospital. Such information must include:

(a) The number of patients who are transferred from the hospital to another hospital;

(b) The number of patients who were received by the hospital that were transferred from another hospital;

(c) The reason for each transfer of a patient to another hospital;

(d) The availability of specialty services and care in the hospital; and

(e) Whether each patient who was transferred from the hospital had insurance or some other guaranteed form of payment for services.

2. Each hospital subject to the provisions of subsection 1 shall provide a report to the Legislative Committee on Health Care with the information required at least once every 3 months, and the reports must include information from July 1, 2009, through September 30, 2010. The first report must be made by October 15, 2009, and must include information from July 1, 2009, through September 30, 2009. Subsequent reports must include information for the period since the last report.

3. The information reported pursuant to this section must be made available to each person or entity that provides information pursuant to this section to the extent that it is not required to be kept confidential.

4. The information reported pursuant to this section must be maintained and reported in a manner consistent with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, Public Law 104-191.

5. As used in this section, "specialty services" includes, without limitation:

(a) Cardiology services;

(b) Gastroenterological services;

(c) General surgical services;

(d) Neurosurgical services;

(e) Ophthalmology services;

(f) Oral and maxillofacial surgical services;

(g) Orthopedic services;

(h) Otolaryngology services; and

(i) Urological services.

**See. 2.** Sec. 3. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2009.