

Bill Summary
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Bill Analysis

The FS for SB 548 prohibits any medical service or care entity from reporting a healthcare debt to a credit bureau or pursuing collection activities unless the total amount of care was presented to the individual and mutually agreed upon. If no good faith estimate is able to be provided and emergency care is deemed necessary by the health care provider and the individual liable for the medical debt, no medical service or health care entity shall charge the person liable for the medical debt who is not a member of a health benefit plan offered by a health carrier more than 165% the Medicare rates for the emergency services rendered. If the person is a member of a health benefit plan, the medical service provider or health care entity providers shall not charge more than the enrollee's health benefit plan's in-network rate for emergency care services.

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