

1                   **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2                               STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3                               2nd Session of the 59th Legislature (2024)

4   HOUSE BILL 4148

By: Schreiber, Lepak, and **Pae**

7                               AS INTRODUCED

8           An Act relating to civil procedure; prescribing  
9           procedures related to civil actions for collection of  
10          medical debts; prescribing requirements for petition;  
11          requiring proof of compliance with Transparency in  
12          Health Care Prices Act; prescribing procedures with  
13          respect to entry of default judgments based upon  
14          medical debt; requiring proof of compliance with  
15          Transparency in Health Care Prices Act; providing for  
16          codification; and providing an effective date.

16   BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

17           SECTION 1.       NEW LAW       A new section of law to be codified  
18           in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 193 of Title 12, unless there is  
19           created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

20           A.   A creditor or debt collector or collection agency operating  
21           on behalf of a creditor that files a civil action for recovery of a  
22           medical debt shall attach to the petition or applicable form a copy  
23           of redacted itemization of the charges that are the basis for the  
24           medical debt and shall also attach proof of compliance with the

1 Transparency in Health Care Prices Act, Section 1-725.2 et seq. of  
2 Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

3 B. Prior to entry of a default judgment against a consumer in a  
4 legal action on a medical debt, in addition to compliance with the  
5 applicable rules of the district court for entry of a default  
6 judgment, the plaintiff shall file with the court evidence that  
7 establishes the amount and nature of the medical debt and includes:

8 1. The original account number at charge-off;

9 2. The original creditor at charge-off;

10 3. The amount due at charge-off or if the balance has not been  
11 charged off, an itemization of the amount claimed to be owed,  
12 including the principal, interest, fees, and other charges or  
13 reductions from payment made or other credits;

14 4. An itemization of post charge-off additions if any;

15 5. The date of the last payment, if applicable, or the date of  
16 the last transaction; and

17 6. Proof of compliance with the Transparency in Health Care  
18 Prices Act, Section 1-725.2 et seq. of Title 63 of the Oklahoma  
19 Statutes.

20 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2024.

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22 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY - CIVIL, dated  
23 02/22/2024 - DO PASS, As Coauthored.

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