## Bill Summary

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## **Bill Analysis**

SB 1817 requires each health facility to make public a digital file in a machine-readable format that contains a list of all standard charges for all facility items or services as well as a consumer-friendly list of standard charges for a limited set of shoppable services. The list shall be published on the facility's website and shall be available free of charge without the need to establish a user account or password. The list shall also be made available to the State Department of Health using a template designated by the Department. Each facility shall maintain a list of standard charges for services and items and ensure that each list is applicable to the specific facility it purports to represent. The measure requires certain charges to be included on the list as well as any code used by the facility for purposes of accounting or billing for the facility item or service.

The measure requires each facility to publish a list of at least 300, if it offers that much or more, of its services provided. Facilities shall prioritize services frequently used and consider their billing rate for each service. The list of services shall include an easy to read description of the service, the payor-specific negotiated charge that applies to each shoppable service included on the list and any ancillary service, the discounted cash price that applies to each shoppable service or the gross charge for the shoppable service or ancillary service, the de-identified minimum negotiated charge that applies to each shoppable service, the de-identified maximum negotiated charge that applies to each shoppable service, and any code used by the facility for purposes of accounting or billing for each shoppable service. Each update to the list shall be submitted to the Department.

The measure directs the Department to monitor each facility's compliance with the requirements of this measure. The Department shall notify any facility that is out of compliance and request corrective action. Failure to take corrective action shall result in an administrative penalty. The penalty shall be \$600.00 per day for hospitals with 30 or fewer beds, \$20.00 per bed per day for hospitals with 30-550 beds, and \$11,000.00 per day for hospitals with greater than 550 beds. The Department shall also publish a list of noncompliant facilities.

The measure also repeals the provisions of the Transparency in Health Care Prices Act.

**Repealer:** 63 O.S. Sections <u>1-725.1</u>, <u>1-725.2</u>, <u>1-725.3</u>, <u>1-725.4</u>, and <u>1-725.5</u>

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