

General Assembly

January Session, 2025

Proposed Bill No. 5424



Referred to Committee on GENERAL LAW

Introduced by: REP. HUGHES, 135th Dist. REP. DATHAN, 142nd Dist.

AN ACT CONCERNING MEDICAL DEBT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 That the general statutes be amended to (1) provide that (A) no 2 medical debt shall be sold more than twice, (B) no action to collect any medical debt shall be commenced later than three years after the date 3 4 on which such debt was incurred, (C) no owner of any medical debt 5 shall recover any sum for such debt that exceeds the actual cost incurred 6 in providing the health care for which such debt was incurred, and (D) 7 no credit rating agency shall consider medical debt in calculating a 8 consumer's credit score, and (2) establish additional transparency 9 requirements applicable to purchasers of medical debt.

Statement of Purpose:

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