

General Assembly

January Session, 2025

Proposed Bill No. 456



Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY

Introduced by: SEN. ANWAR, 3rd Dist.

AN ACT CONCERNING HEALTH INSURER LIABILITY FOR DAMAGES AND HARMS CAUSED BY UNDUE DELAY IN AUTHORIZING OR APPROVING CARE.

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

That chapter 925 of the general statutes be amended to provide that no action may be brought to recover damages from a licensed health care professional that is attributable to adverse outcomes directly caused by a health insurer's delay in authorizing or approving care, and that such action may instead be brought directly against a health insurer for damages and harms caused by the undue delay in authorizing or approving care.

Statement of Purpose:

To ensure that a health insurer is held accountable for the insurer's role in restricting timely patient access to necessary health care treatment, while shielding a licensed medical professional from undue legal risks associated with the delay.