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**Introducer(s):**

Public Health Committee

**Title:** AN ACT CONCERNING HOSPITAL SALE-LEASEBACK AGREEMENTS AND ATTESTATIONS CONCERNING LACK OF PRIVATE EQUITY CONTROL OF THE HOSPITAL AND CONTROL OF OR INTERFERENCE WITH THE PROFESSIONAL JUDGMENT AND CLINICAL DECISIONS OF CERTAIN HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS.

**Statement of Purpose:** To (1) permit hospitals experiencing financial distress to enter into sale-leaseback agreements under certain circumstances, and (2) require hospitals to submit attestations that no private equity entity has a controlling interest in the hospital or interferes with the professional judgment or clinical decision-making of certain health care providers.

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