

1-1 By: Kolkhorst S.B. No. 945  
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed February 15, 2023; March 3, 2023,  
1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Health & Human  
1-4 Services; April 25, 2023, reported adversely, with favorable  
1-5 Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0;  
1-6 April 25, 2023, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-9	X			
1-10	X			
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1-14	X			
1-15	X			
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1-17	X			

1-18 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 945 By: Hancock

1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-20 AN ACT

1-21 relating to the disclosure of certain health care cost information  
1-22 by certain health care facilities; authorizing an administrative  
1-23 penalty.

1-24 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-25 SECTION 1. Section 327.001(7), Health and Safety Code, is  
1-26 amended to read as follows:

1-27 (7) "Facility" means a hospital, freestanding  
1-28 emergency medical care facility, urgent care or retail clinic,  
1-29 outpatient clinic, birthing center, ambulatory surgical center, or  
1-30 other facility that is licensed to provide health care services in  
1-31 this state [licensed under Chapter 241].

1-32 SECTION 2. Section 327.008(a), Health and Safety Code, is  
1-33 amended to read as follows:

1-34 (a) The commission may impose an administrative penalty on a  
1-35 facility [~~in accordance with Chapter 241~~] if the facility fails to:

1-36 (1) respond to the commission's request to submit a  
1-37 corrective action plan; or

1-38 (2) comply with the requirements of a corrective  
1-39 action plan submitted to the commission.

1-40 SECTION 3. A health care facility required to disclose  
1-41 billing information under Chapter 327, Health and Safety Code, as  
1-42 amended by this Act, shall disclose the information in accordance  
1-43 with that chapter not later than August 31, 2027.

1-44 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
1-45 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
1-46 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
1-47 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
1-48 Act takes effect September 1, 2023.

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