

SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 6033

As Reported By Senate Committee On:
Health & Long-Term Care, January 30, 1996

Title: An act relating to health care facility worker identification.

Brief Description: Requiring identification badges for all hospital workers.

Sponsors: Senators Deccio, Quigley, Moyer, Wojahn and Winsley.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Health & Long-Term Care: 2/28/95 [DPS]; 1/30/96 [DPS].

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH & LONG-TERM CARE

Majority Report: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 6033 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass.

Signed by Senators Quigley, Chair; Wojahn, Vice Chair; Deccio, Franklin, Moyer, Thibaudeau, Winsley and Wood.

Staff: Joanne Conrad (786-7472)

Background: Currently, health care facilities are not required by statute to identify all employees, staff, volunteers, lessees and contractors with personal identification badges.

Summary of Substitute Bill: All employees, volunteers, contractors, lessees and service providers at health care facilities, including hospitals, clinics, pharmacies, health care provider's offices, health maintenance organizations diagnostic or treatment centers, neuropsychiatric or mental health facilities, hospices or nursing homes are required to wear personal identification badges, with their names and job titles.

Substitute Bill Compared to Original Bill: Types of facilities required to provide identification badges are expanded and clarified.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

Testimony For: None.

Testimony Against: None.

Testified: No one.