

**2SHB 1015 - H AMD 867**

By Representative Campbell

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1 On page 2, line 26, after "pneumonia;" strike "and"

2 On page 2, line 28, after "unit;" insert "and"

3 (v) Other categories for which there are established, evidence-  
4 based measures and the department determines are necessary to  
5 protect public health and safety as provided in subsection (3) of  
6 this section;"

7 On page 3, line 20, after "(3)" insert "As guidelines for  
8 preventing health care-associated infections and tracking outcomes  
9 and performance regarding health care-associated infections are  
10 adopted by the United States centers for disease control and  
11 prevention, the centers for health care research and quality, the  
12 centers for medicare and medicaid services, the joint commission on  
13 accreditation of health care organizations, the national quality  
14 forum, the institute of healthcare improvement, or other  
15 organizations with recognized expertise in infection control or  
16 quality improvement, the department shall include those other  
17 procedures or categories of health care-associated infections, such  
18 as catheter-related urinary tract infections or clostridium  
19 difficile infections, in the reporting program established in  
20 subsection (2)(a) of this section. The department shall include  
21 the other procedures or categories of infections if it determines  
22 that the guidelines are evidence-based, have been demonstrated to  
23 reduce health care-associated infections, and are feasible for  
24 hospitals to track;

25 (4)"

26 On page 3, line 22, after "identified in" strike "subsection  
27 (2)" and insert "subsections (2) and (3)"

1           On page 3, at the beginning of line 28, strike "(4)" and insert  
2 the following:

3           "(5) The department shall adopt rules as necessary to  
4 effectuate the purposes of this section.

5           (6)"

**EFFECT:** Authorizes the Department of Health to include other health care-associated infections as evidence-based guidelines are adopted by infection control organizations. The Department of Health is authorized to adopt necessary rules to implement the program.