

HB 1057 -- INFECTION CONTROL DATA REPORTING

SPONSOR: Shawan

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Health and Mental Health Policy by a vote of 15 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Rules- Legislative Oversight by a vote of 8 to 0.

This bill states that if the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services requires hospitals to submit health care-associated infection data, then hospitals and the department shall not be required to submit health care-associated infection data required under state statute. The department must post a link on its website to the publicly reported data on the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services' Hospital Compare Website.

The bill requires hospitals to report antimicrobial use or resistance once the conditions of participation requiring electronic reporting are effective by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. However, nothing in the bill shall prohibit a hospital from voluntarily reporting antibiotic use or antibiotic resistance data, prior to the effective date of the conditions of participation.

PROPOSERS: Supporters say that this bill eliminates needless regulation and gets rid of duplicate or triplicate reporting requirements. This bill does not make it more difficult for anyone to access the data needed.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Shawan; Sisters Of St. Mary Health; Barnes Jewish Christian Healthcare; Cox Health; St. Luke's Health System; and Sarah Wilson, Missouri Hospital Association.

OPPOSERS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.