

BILL SUMMARY
1st Session of the 58th Legislature

Bill No.:	HB2687
Version:	FULLPCS1
Request Number:	7414
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Impact:	No impact

Research Analysis

The proposed committee substitute (PCS) to HB 2687 creates the “No Patient Left Alone Act.” The PCS allows for a minor or adult patient to designate a visitor to have unrestricted visitation to the patient in care. The PCS prohibits termination, suspension, or waiver of visitation rights by the hospital, State Department of Health, or any governmental entity regardless of declarations of emergency by the Governor or Legislature. The PCS allows for certain restrictions by the hospital. Hospitals are prohibited from requiring patients to waive their rights specified in this act. The PCS requires hospitals to post informational materials about the patients’ rights in this act in a prominent place.

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Fiscal Analysis

After review, the PCS1 to HB 2687 has no fiscal or revenue considerations to the state.

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Other Considerations

None.