

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
4 FOR ENGROSSED
5 HOUSE BILL 4148

By: Schreiber, Lepak, Pae,
Hefner, and Swope of the
House

6 and

7 Daniels of the Senate

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10 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

11 An Act relating to collection of medical debt;
12 defining term; requiring inclusion of certain
13 information with petition for civil action to collect
14 medical debt; requiring submission of certain
evidence to court prior to default judgment;
providing for codification; and providing an
effective date.

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17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

18 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
19 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 193 of Title 12, unless there is
20 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

21 A. For purposes of this section, "hospital price transparency
22 laws" means:

23 1. Section 2718(e) of the Public Health Service Act, 42 U.S.C.,
24 Section 300gg-18, as amended, and rules adopted by the United States

1 Department of Health and Human Services implementing Section
2 2718(e); and

3 2. The Transparency in Health Care Prices Act, Section 1-725.1
4 et seq. of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

5 B. A creditor or debt collector or collection agency operating
6 on behalf of a creditor that files a civil action for recovery of a
7 medical debt shall attach to the petition or applicable form:

8 1. A copy of redacted itemization of the charges that are the
9 basis for the medical debt; and

10 2. Proof of compliance with hospital price transparency laws.

11 C. Prior to entry of a default judgment against a consumer in a
12 civil action on a medical debt, in addition to compliance with the
13 applicable rules of the district court for entry of a default
14 judgment, the plaintiff shall file with the court evidence that
15 establishes the amount and nature of the medical debt and includes:

16 1. The original account number at charge-off;

17 2. The original creditor at charge-off;

18 3. The amount due at charge-off or, if the balance has not been
19 charged off, an itemization of the amount claimed to be owed
20 including the principal, interest, fees, and other charges or
21 reductions from payment made or other credits;

22 4. An itemization of post charge-off additions if any;

23 5. The date of the last payment, if applicable, or the date of
24 the last transaction; and

1 6. Proof of compliance with hospital price transparency laws.

2 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2024.

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