

BILL SUMMARY

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Research Analysis

The second floor amendment for HB 1600 creates the "Lori Brand Patient Bill of Rights Act of 2025," which outlines that each patient treated in the state must have the following rights when being treated:

- The right to considerate and respectful care provided in a safe environment;
- To receive information in a manner they understand;
- To receive as much information about any proposed treatment or procedure in order to give informed consent;
- To have an advance directive attorney or to designate a surrogate decision-maker;
- To participate in the development and implementation of their plan of care;
- To accept medical care or refuse treatment;
- To become aware of their rights as a patient in advance of, or when discontinuing, the provision of care;
- To have a family member or representative notified of their admission to the hospital;
- To request no information on their admittance, diagnosis, or treatment be released;
- To review records and obtain a copy of records and have the information explained;
- To reasonable continuity of care;
- To confidential treatment of all communications and records related to the hospital stay;
- To expect that the hospital will make a reasonable response to the request of a patient for appropriate care and services;
- The patient or patient's representative has the right to participate in the consideration of ethical issues;
- To be advised of the hospital's complaint or grievance process;
- To access or have accessed protective and advocacy services;
- To receive an explanation of their bill;
- To remain free of restraints or seclusion that aren't medically necessary;
- To receive the visitors whom they designate; and
- Inform Medicare beneficiaries in advance of procedures or treatment in which Medicare may deny treatment.

The measure also outlines responsibilities for a patient, guardian of a patient, or legally authorized representative. The measure also outlined the following rights for a minor patient.

CHANGES IN FLOOR SUB VERSION FROM COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE:

The second floor amendment changes some of the musts and wills in the measure to shalls. The second floor amendment also specifies that a minor patient has the right to provisions for self-esteem needs which will be met by attempts to give the minor the reassuring presence of a parent or legal guardian. Minors also have the right to participate in decisions with a parent or legal guardian that affects their own medical treatment. Notwithstanding rights afforded to minors in the measure, parents or legal guardians have the final say in their minor's medical care.

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Fiscal Analysis

HB 1600 creates the Lori Brand Patient Bill of Rights Act of 2025, outlining the rights of patients when seeking treatment in Oklahoma. In its current form, HB 1600 is not anticipated to have a direct fiscal impact on the state budget or appropriations.

The second floor amendment does not change the fiscal impact of the measure.

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Other Considerations

None.