American Industrial Hygiene Association

State Legislative Summary – Safe Patient Handling

Date: December 4, 2013

Note: The following bills are being monitored by AIHA.

MA H 1969  DOCKET:  394
AUTHOR: Garlick (D)
TITLE: Safe Patient Handling Policy
INTRODUCED: 02/18/2013
DISPOSITION: Pending

SUMMARY:
Provides that certain health facilities be directed to establish a safe patient handling policy.

STATUS:
02/18/2013  INTRODUCED.
02/18/2013  Filed as House Docket 394
02/18/2013  To JOINT Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH. Dated 01/22/2013.
10/29/2013  In JOINT Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH: Heard. Eligible for Executive Session.
11/21/2013  From JOINT Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH: Ought to pass.
11/21/2013  To JOINT Committee on HEALTH CARE FINANCING.

Date:  13
Issue:  Ergonomics

MA S 991  DOCKET:  92
AUTHOR: Chandler (D)
TITLE: Patient Handling
INTRODUCED: 02/15/2013
DISPOSITION: Pending

SUMMARY:
Provides for safe patient handling; requires each health care facility to establish a safe patient handling committee;
requires the governing body of a hospital or the quality assurance committee of a nursing home to adopt and ensure implementation of a Safe Patient Handling Program to identify, assess, and develop strategies to control risk of injury to patients and health care workers; specified requirements for the acquisition of safe patient handling equipment.

STATUS:
02/15/2013 INTRODUCED.
02/15/2013 To JOINT Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH. Dated 01/22/2013.
02/15/2013 Filed as Senate Docket 92
10/29/2013 In JOINT Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH: Heard.
Eligible for Executive Session.
11/21/2013 From JOINT Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH:
Accompanied by Bill H 1969

Date: 13
Issue: Ergonomics

NY A 2180 SPONSOR: Gunther (D)
TITLE: Safe Patient Handling Act
INTRODUCED: 01/10/2013
LAST AMEND: 06/12/2013
DISPOSITION: Pending

SUMMARY:
Enacts the safe patient handling act to establish a statewide safe patient handling policy for health care facilities in the state.

STATUS:
01/10/2013 INTRODUCED.
01/10/2013 To ASSEMBLY Committee on HEALTH.
01/23/2013 Amended in ASSEMBLY Committee on HEALTH.
02/05/2013 From ASSEMBLY Committee on HEALTH.
02/05/2013 To ASSEMBLY Committee on CODES.
04/23/2013 From ASSEMBLY Committee on CODES.
04/23/2013 To ASSEMBLY Committee on WAYS AND MEANS.
05/29/2013 From ASSEMBLY Committee on WAYS AND MEANS.
06/12/2013 Amended on ASSEMBLY floor.
06/17/2013 Passed ASSEMBLY. *****To SENATE. (127-15)
06/17/2013 To SENATE Committee on RULES.

Date: 13
Issue: Ergonomics
NY S 1123 SPONSOR: Maziarz (R)
TITLE: Safe Patient Handling Act
PREFILED: 12/20/2012
INTRODUCED: 01/09/2013
LAST AMEND: 06/13/2013
DISPOSITION: Pending

SUMMARY:
Amends the Public Health Law and the Education Law; relates to a safe patient handling policy for health care facilities.

STATUS:
12/20/2012 PREFILED.
12/20/2012 To SENATE Committee on HEALTH.
01/09/2013 INTRODUCED.
01/09/2013 To SENATE Committee on HEALTH.
02/05/2013 Amended in SENATE Committee on HEALTH.
06/04/2013 From SENATE Committee on HEALTH. (17-0)
06/04/2013 To SENATE Committee on FINANCE.
06/13/2013 Amended in SENATE Committee on FINANCE.

Date: 13
Issue: Ergonomics

VT H 355 AUTHOR: Donovan (D)
TITLE: Safe Patient Handling
INTRODUCED: 02/21/2013
DISPOSITION: Pending - Carryover

SUMMARY:
Relates to safe patient handling.

STATUS:
02/21/2013 INTRODUCED.
02/22/2013 To HOUSE Committee on HEALTH CARE.

Date: 13
Issue: Ergonomics

VT S 123 AUTHOR: Zuckerman (P)
TITLE: Safe Patient Handling
INTRODUCED: 02/19/2013
DISPOSITION: Pending - Carryover

SUMMARY:
Relates to safe patient handling.

STATUS:
02/19/2013 INTRODUCED.
02/20/2013 To SENATE Committee on HEALTH AND WELFARE.
02/28/2013 SENATE Committee on HEALTH AND WELFARE relieved of further consideration.
02/28/2013 To SENATE Committee on ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, HOUSING AND GENERAL AFFAIRS.

Date: 13  
Issue: Ergonomics

FL H 289  AUTHOR: Richardson (D)  
TITLE: Patient Lifting and Handling Practices  
PREFILED: 11/06/2013  
DISPOSITION: Pending

SUMMARY:  
Relates to patient lifting and handling practices; requires hospitals to establish a policy concerning safe lifting and handling of patients; requires a committee to develop and evaluate policies.

STATUS:  
11/06/2013 PREFILED.

Issue: Ergonomics, SafePatient

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