

Senate Bill 1137 Hospital Price Transparency

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Senate Bill 1137 Overview

Senate Bill (SB) 1137 added **Texas Health and Safety Code (HSC) Chapter 327**, which requires a hospital licensed under HSC Chapter 241 to prominently display a list or have a dedicated link to a list of all standard charges for hospital items and services on the home page of the hospital's website.



Senate Bill 1137 Overview (cont.)

- SB 1137 requires general and special hospitals to maintain a chargemaster, which is a list of all facility items or services for which the facility has established a charge.
- The list must be publicly available, consumerfriendly, and contain standard charges for at least 300 shoppable services.



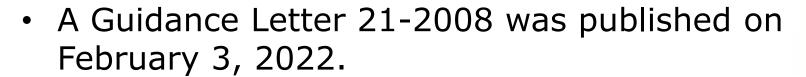


 SB 1137 requires the chargemaster and list of shoppable services meet certain accessibility requirements, and hospitals must submit the required list to the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC).

• SB 1137 authorizes HHSC to impose an administrative penalty on a hospital for each violation of HSC Chapter 327 requirements.







- HHSC is working on developing rules to implement the bill's provisions in the hospital rules at 25 TAC Chapter 133.
- HHSC issued compliance letters notifying hospitals of their SB 1137 compliance status.
 - All hospitals are expected to come into compliance by May 24, 2022.





Summary

HHSC continues to work on implementing all of SB 1137's provisions.

- These actions include:
 - Publishing a guidance letter to the HHSC website
 - Issuing letters indicating all hospitals' compliance status, and
 - Drafting rules to implement SB 1137's provisions



Questions?



Thank You

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