



Ohio Legislative Service Commission

Bill Analysis

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Sub. H.B. 147

130th General Assembly
(As Reported by H. Health and Aging)

Reps. Patmon and Wachtmann, Ramos, Barnes, Hackett, Burkley, Grossman, Antonio, Bishoff, Brown, Schuring

BILL SUMMARY

- Requires a surgeon performing a mastectomy in a hospital to guide the patient through provided or referred services in a manner consistent with the standards of the National Accreditation Program for Breast Centers (NAPBC).
- If a surgeon performing a mastectomy considers breast reconstruction appropriate, requires the surgeon to offer the patient a preoperative referral to a reconstructive or plastic surgeon in accordance with NAPBC standards.
- Names the bill the "Lizzie B. Byrd Act."

CONTENT AND OPERATION

Breast surgery services and referrals

The bill requires a surgeon who will perform a mastectomy in a hospital (or a person designated by the surgeon) to guide the patient through provided or referred services in a manner that is consistent with the standards of the National Accreditation Program for Breast Centers of the American College of Surgeons (NAPBC).

If a surgeon who is to perform a mastectomy considers breast reconstruction appropriate for the patient, the bill requires the surgeon or the surgeon's designee to offer the patient a preoperative referral to a reconstructive or plastic surgeon in accordance with NAPBC standards.¹

¹ R.C. 4731.73.

Background – National Accreditation Program for Breast Centers (NAPBC)

The NAPBC is a consortium of national, professional organizations focused on breast health and dedicated to the improvement of quality care and outcomes of patients with diseases of the breast through evidence-based standards and patient and professional education.²

The NAPBC is administered by the American College of Surgeons, the professional organization that sets the standards of care for surgical patients. According to its web site, the NAPBC has established standards for patient care beyond surgery, as it represents 17 specialty societies and professional organizations involved in the care of breast cancer and breast disease, including radiation oncology, medical oncology, genetics, social work, and nursing.³

Act name

The bill provides that it is to be known as the "Lizzie B. Byrd Act."⁴

HISTORY

ACTION	DATE
Introduced	04-30-13
Reported, H. Health & Aging	05-29-13

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² National Accreditation Program for Breast Centers, *What is NAPBC?* (last visited May 30, 2013), available at < <http://www.napbc-breast.org/about/what.html>>.

³ National Accreditation Program for Breast Centers, *NAPBC Frequently Asked Questions* (last visited May 30, 2013), available at < <http://www.napbc-breast.org/resources/faq.html>>.

⁴ Section 2.

