
DIGEST

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HB No. 80

Abstract: Prohibits smoking in psychiatric facilities of DHH.

Present law prohibits smoking, with certain exceptions, in enclosed areas of all licensed hospitals.

Present law provides that the following entities shall establish rules and policies to reasonably accommodate inpatients and inmates who smoke:

- (1) The governing board of a psychiatric hospital.
- (2) DPS&C.
- (3) DHH.

Proposed law deletes DHH from the listing of entities required to accommodate inpatients who smoke; provides that governing boards of psychiatric hospitals which are required to accommodate inpatients who smoke shall be those of private facilities; and otherwise retains present law.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 40:2115(C))