
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO MEDICAL PROCEDURES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. Section 671-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

3 "(b) The following information shall be supplied to the
4 patient or the patient's guardian or legal surrogate prior to
5 obtaining consent to a proposed medical or surgical treatment or
6 a diagnostic or therapeutic procedure:

7 (1) The condition to be treated;

8 (2) A description of the proposed treatment or procedure;

9 (3) The intended and anticipated results of the proposed
10 treatment or procedure;

11 (4) The recognized alternative treatments or procedures,
12 including the option of not providing these treatments
13 or procedures;

14 (5) The recognized material risks of serious complications
15 or mortality associated with:

16 (A) The proposed treatment or procedure;

17 (B) The recognized alternative treatments or
18 procedures; and



1 (C) Not undergoing any treatment or procedure; [and]
2 (6) For x-rays and computed tomography scans, the amount
3 of radiation exposure to the patient and the attendant
4 health risks, if any, from such exposure; and
5 [~~6~~] (7) The recognized benefits of the recognized
6 alternative treatments or procedures."

7 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
8 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

9 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

Medical Procedures; X-rays; Computed Tomography Scans

Description:

Requires that patients be informed of the amount of radiation exposure to the patient prior to obtaining consent to an x-ray or computed tomography scan.

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