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SENATE BILL 675

Health Care Committee Substitute Adopted 4/1/09 House Committee Substitute Favorable 6/9/10 PROPOSED HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE S675-PCS85381-RG-66

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Sponsors	s:	
Referred	to:	
		March 19, 2009
		A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT	TO PE	ROHIBIT GIVING OR RECEIVING REMUNERATION RELATED TO THE
		F REFERRALS OR PURCHASE/LEASE ARRANGEMENTS THAT LEAD
		AID PAYMENTS.
_	_	sembly of North Carolina enacts:
		TION 1. G.S. 108A-63 is amended by adding the following new subsections
to read:		, c
" <u>(g)</u>	<u>It sha</u>	all be unlawful for any person to knowingly and willfully solicit or receive any
remuneration (including any kickback, bribe, or rebate) directly or indirectly, overtly or		
covertly, in cash or in-kind:		
	<u>(1)</u>	In return for referring an individual to a person for the furnishing of
		arranging for the furnishing of any item or service for which payment may
		be made in whole or in part under this Part.
	<u>(2)</u>	In return for purchasing, leasing, ordering, or arranging for or
		recommending purchasing, leasing, or ordering any good, facility, service, or
(1.)	T. 1	item for which payment may be made in whole or in part under this Part.
<u>(h)</u>		all be unlawful for any person to knowingly and willfully offer or pay any
remuneration (including any kickback, bribe, or rebate) directly or indirectly, overtly or covertly, in cash or in-kind to any person to induce such person:		
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	<u>(1)</u>	furnishing of any item or service for which payment may be made in whole
		or in part under this Part.
	<u>(2)</u>	To purchase, lease, order, or arrange for or recommend purchasing, leasing
	<u>(2)</u>	or ordering any good, facility, service, or item for which payment may be
		made in whole or in part under this Part.
<u>(i)</u>	Subse	ections (g) and (h) of this section shall not apply to:
<u>~~</u>	(1)	Contracts between the State and a public or private agency where part of the
		agency's responsibility is referral of a person to a provider.
	<u>(2)</u>	Any conduct or activity that is specified in 42 U.S.C. § 1320a-7b(b)(3), as
		amended, or any federal regulations adopted pursuant thereto.



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- (j) Nothing in subsections (g) and (h) of this section shall be interpreted or construed to conflict with 42 U.S.C. § 1320a-7b(b), as amended, or with federal common law or federal agency interpretations of the statute."
- **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective December 1, 2010, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date.

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