

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1064 Session of 2025

INTRODUCED BY MALAGARI, KINKEAD, HILL-EVANS, GIRAL, VENKAT, GUENST, SANCHEZ, SHUSTERMAN, WARREN, CERRATO AND GREEN, MARCH 31, 2025

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, MARCH 31, 2025

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of July 19, 1979 (P.L.130, No.48), entitled "An
 2 act relating to health care; prescribing the powers and
 3 duties of the Department of Health; establishing and
 4 providing the powers and duties of the State Health
 5 Coordinating Council, health systems agencies and Health Care
 6 Policy Board in the Department of Health, and State Health
 7 Facility Hearing Board in the Department of Justice;
 8 providing for certification of need of health care providers
 9 and prescribing penalties," in licensing of health care
 10 facilities, providing for firearms policy.

11 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
 12 hereby enacts as follows:

13 Section 1. The act of July 19, 1979 (P.L.130, No.48), known
 14 as the Health Care Facilities Act, is amended by adding a
 15 section to read:

16 Section 823. Firearms policy.

17 (a) Establishment.--A health care facility shall establish
 18 and make publicly accessible a policy regarding the prohibition
 19 or acceptance of the possession of firearms or firearm
 20 accessories, including ammunition, within or on the premises of
 21 the health care facility. If firearms are permitted within or on

1 the premises, the policy shall provide for the safe carrying and
2 storing of firearms at the health care facility. If firearms are
3 not permitted within or on the premises, the policy shall
4 provide for the procedures for employees to follow if an
5 individual enters the premises possessing a firearm.

6 (b) Definitions.--As used in this section, the following
7 words and phrases shall have the meanings given to them in this
8 subsection unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

9 "Health care facility." The following:

10 (1) A health care facility as defined under section 103.

11 (2) A facility as defined in section 103.1 of the act of
12 July 9, 1976 (P.L.817, No.143), known as the "Mental Health
13 Procedures Act."

14 (3) An urgent care center as defined in section 2 of the
15 act of November 2, 2016 (P.L.976, No.122), known as the "Safe
16 Emergency Prescribing Act."

17 (4) A dental office or treatment facility.

18 (5) Any other facility where medical services are
19 rendered.

20 "Medical services." As defined in 40 Pa.C.S. § 6302
21 (relating to definitions).

22 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.