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97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVES HODGES (Sponsor), SCHIEFFER, MCDONALD, KRATKY, BLACK, COLONA, HUMMEL, KELLY (45), KIRKTON, RIZZO, MCMANUS AND NORR (Co-sponsors).

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 197, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to residential use of oxygen tanks and apparatuses.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 197, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 197.600, to read as follows:

197.600. 1. As used in this section, "health care facility" means a hospital, hospice, long-term care facility, home health agency, or any other health care entity which supplies oxygen tanks or apparatuses to patients in a residential setting.

2. Every health care facility which supplies oxygen tanks or apparatuses to a patient or customer in a residential setting shall notify the local fire department of such patient's or customer's residential address and the date such oxygen tanks or apparatuses were provided. Upon removal of such oxygen tanks or apparatuses, the health care facility shall notify the local fire department of such patients' or customers' residential address and the date such supplies were removed. The name of the patient or customer shall not be provided unless a signed written waiver is obtained under subsection 3 of this section.

3. If any state or federal law prohibits the disclosures required in this section without prior consent, the health care facility shall obtain a signed written waiver from the patient or customer prior to the delivery of such oxygen tanks or apparatuses.

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EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.