

HB 1522 -- Surgical Comanagement

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This bill authorizes the practice of surgical comanagement under certain conditions relating to the informed consent of patients and the burden of having operating surgeons responsible for preoperative and postoperative care. Comanaging eye care providers are prohibited from receiving a percentage of the global surgical fee that exceeds the relative value of their services provided. Patients are required to sign forms indicating they understand the financial arrangements between eye care providers, the provider's license status and qualifications, their right to receive care from other providers, and their right to accept or decline participation in the comanagement arrangement.

Nothing in the bill requires participation of any eye care provider comanagement arrangements and nothing will limit tort liability of eye care providers in regard to patient care.