

HB 1171 -- Anatomic Pathology Services

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This bill prohibits a licensed health care professional from charging, billing, or soliciting payment for anatomic pathology services unless the services are rendered personally by the licensed health care professional or under his or her direct supervision. No patient, insurer, third-party payor, hospital, public health clinic, or nonprofit health clinic will be required to reimburse any licensed health care professional for charges or claims submitted in violation of this provision. Nothing will prohibit the billing of a referring laboratory for services when samples must be sent to another specialist.

The state licensing board having jurisdiction over the licensed health care professional who requests or provides these services may revoke, suspend, or deny the renewal of the license of anyone who violates these provisions.