



## || SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA BILL SUMMARY

### **House Bill 1234** **Printer's No. 1461**

Prime Sponsor: Fabrizio  
Committee: Health and Human Services

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#### **SYNOPSIS:**

Amends the definition of "ambulatory surgical facility" contained in the Health Care Facilities Act to permit outpatient surgical treatment that is not expected to exceed 24 hours following an admission.

#### **SUMMARY:**

Amends the definition of ambulatory surgical facility in the Health Care Facilities Act by adding a requirement that surgical procedures performed in the facility not exceed 24 hours in expected duration (this would comport with current Federal law).

Abrogates the current regulation in the Pennsylvania Code which limits these surgical procedures to those which do not exceed 8 hours (4 hours for the procedure and 4 hours for recovery).

Effective Date: 60 days

#### **BILL HISTORY:**

In the House:

Referred to Health, April 17, 2017

Final passage July 7, 2017

In the Senate:

Referred to Health & Human Services, July 14, 2017

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