

HOUSE BILL NO. 459

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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROHIBITING A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER OR HEALTH CARE FACILITY FROM REFUSING OR CONDITIONING THE PROVISION OF HEALTH CARE IF A PERSON REFUSES TO PROVIDE INFORMATION RELATING TO FIREARM OWNERSHIP, POSSESSION, OR USE."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

NEW SECTION. Section 1. Privacy in health care -- ownership of firearms. (1) No health care provider or health care facility may:

(a) refuse to provide health care to a person because the person declines to answer any questions concerning the person's ownership, possession, or use of firearms; or

(b) require that a person, as a condition of receiving health care, complete an application or other form that contains questions about a person's ownership, possession, or use of firearms.

(2) For the purposes of this section, the terms "health care", "health care facility", and "health care provider" have the meanings provided in 50-16-504.

NEW SECTION. Section 2. Codification instruction. [Section 1] is intended to be codified as an integral part of Title 50, chapter 16, and the provisions of Title 50, chapter 16, apply to [section 1].

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