

HB 2397 -- COMPASSIONATE ASSISTANCE FOR RAPE

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The bill establishes the "Compassionate Assistance for Rape Emergencies (CARE) Act" and defines the standard of care for any health care facility that provides emergency care to a sexual assault victim. The standard of care is to inform the victim of the option to be provided emergency contraception at the hospital and provide a complete regimen of emergency contraception if requested. The health care provider must also provide sexually transmitted infection screening and treatment to the sexual assault victim.

The Department of Health and Senior Services must establish rules necessary to implement the provisions of the CARE Act.

This bill is similar to HB 800 (2019) and HB 1338 (2018).