

HB 396 -- SURGICAL SMOKE PLUME EVACUATION

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This bill provides that, by January 1, 2025, every hospital and ambulatory surgical center that performs procedures that produce surgical smoke, as defined in the bill, must adopt policies and procedures for the implementation of a surgical smoke plume evacuation system to ensure reduction of surgical smoke. Any procedure performed after December 31, 2024, that generates surgical smoke shall be subject to the policies and procedures adopted pursuant to the provisions this bill.

This bill is similar to HB 1711 (2022).