

CHAPTER 207

AN ACT concerning the transfer of hospital patients and supplementing Title 26 of the Revised Statutes.

BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:*

C.26:2H-12.9b Short title.

1. This act shall be known and may be cited as "Leonard Cohen's Law."

C.26:2H-12.9c Discharge summary required for transfer of patients.

2. A general hospital licensed pursuant to P.L.1971, c.136 (C.26:2H-1 et seq.) shall not transfer a patient to another health care facility unless the patient is accompanied by a complete discharge summary from the transferring hospital at the time of the transfer.

C.26:2H-12.9d Noncompliance, penalties.

3. A hospital that fails to comply with the provisions of section 2 of this act shall be subject to such penalties as the Commissioner of Health and Senior Services shall determine pursuant to sections 13 and 14 of P.L.1971, c.136 (C.26:2H-13 and 26:2H-14).

4. This act shall take effect immediately.

Approved August 8, 2001.