

By: Senator(s) Hill

To: Public Health and
Welfare

SENATE BILL NO. 2702

1 AN ACT TO REPEAL SECTION 41-9-39, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
2 WHICH REQUIRES THAT EACH YEAR, FROM OCTOBER 1 THROUGH MARCH 1,
3 EACH HOSPITAL SHALL OFFER, PRIOR TO DISCHARGE, IMMUNIZATIONS
4 AGAINST INFLUENZA VIRUS TO ALL INPATIENTS 65 YEARS OF AGE AND
5 OLDER UNLESS CONTRAINDICATED AND CONTINGENT UPON THE AVAILABILITY
6 OF THE VACCINE; TO AMEND SECTION 41-9-1, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
7 TO CONFORM, AND TO REFLECT THE ENACTMENT OF SECTION 41-9-41; AND
8 FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

10 **SECTION 1.** Section 41-9-39, Mississippi Code of 1972, which
11 requires that each year, from October 1 through March 1, each
12 hospital shall offer, prior to discharge, immunizations against
13 influenza virus to all inpatients sixty-five (65) years of age and
14 older unless contraindicated and contingent upon the availability
15 of the vaccine, is repealed.

16 **SECTION 2.** Section 41-9-1, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
17 amended as follows:

18 41-9-1. The purpose of Sections 41-9-1 through * * * 41-9-41
19 is to protect and promote the public health by providing for the
20 development, establishment and enforcement of certain standards in
21 the construction, maintenance and operation of hospitals which

22 will ensure safe, sanitary and reasonably adequate care and
23 treatment of individuals in hospitals. The Legislature hereby
24 finds that the protection and promotion of the public health
25 requires the measures provided for in said sections.

26 **SECTION 3.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
27 and after July 1, 2025.

