AN ACT
RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- RETENTION OF X-RAYS

Introduced By: Representatives Fogarty, McEntee, Casimiro, Kazarian, Cassar, Alzate, Felix, McGaw, Williams, and Vella-Wilkinson
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Referred To: House Health & Human Services

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 23-4.9-1 of the General Laws in Chapter 23-4.9 entitled “Retention of X-Rays” is hereby amended to read as follows:

23-4.9-1. Retention of x-rays by health care providers.
Every physician, surgeon, hospital, health maintenance organization, or any other health care facility or provider that takes a mammography x-ray of any individual within this state shall keep and maintain that mammography x-ray for the period required by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, life of the individual. Provided, further, however, that any mammography x-ray may be destroyed if the individual has had no contact with the physician, surgeon, hospital, health maintenance organization, or other health care facility or provider for a period exceeding fifteen (15) years.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.
EXPLANATION
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1 This act would amend the retention of x-ray statute by eliminating retention for the life of
2 the individual to retention for whatever period is required by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid
3 Services.
4 This act would take effect upon passage.