

SENATE BILL No. 385

By Committee on Public Health and Welfare

1-28

1 AN ACT concerning hospitals; relating to vaccination prior to patient
2 discharge.

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4 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

5 Section 1. Beginning on October 1 of each year and continuing until
6 March 1 of the following year, each hospital, as defined in K.S.A. 65-
7 425(j), and amendments thereto, shall offer to each inpatient 65 years of
8 age or older, prior to such patient's discharge, vaccination against the
9 influenza virus. A hospital shall not be required to offer vaccination under
10 this section if administration of the vaccination is contraindicated for the
11 patient. Vaccination against the influenza virus shall be offered under this
12 section based upon the availability of the influenza vaccine at the time of
13 the offer in accordance with the latest recommendations of the advisory
14 committee on immunization practices of the centers for disease control and
15 prevention.

16 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
17 publication in the statute book.