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Amendment No. ____

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11	Senators Campbell, Brown-Waite, Silver and Myers moved the
12	following amendment:
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14	Senate Amendment (with title amendment)
15	On page 3, between lines 23 and 24,
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17	insert:
18	Section 3. Charges for magnetic resonance imaging
19	(MRI) or computed tomography (CT) scan services shall be
20	unenforceable against the recipient of such services, an
21	insurer, a third-party payor, and any other person or entity
22	unless such charges are billed and collected by the
23	100-percent owner or the 100-percent lessee of the equipment
24	used to perform such services. Such owner or lessee may be an
25	individual, a corporation, a partnership, or any other entity
26	and any of its 100-percent-owned affiliates and subsidiaries.
27	For purposes of this section, "lessee" means a long-term
28	lessee under a capital or operating lease but does not include
29	a part-time lessee. This section does not preclude billing and
30	collection by a hospital, a hospital or physician management
31	company whose MRI or CT scan services are ancillary to the
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1	practices managed, a debt collection agency, or an entity that
2	has contracted with an insurer or third-party payor to obtain
3	a discounted rate for such services provided such entity does
4	not retain for its services more than 25 percent of the amount
5	remitted to such owner or lessee.
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7	(Redesignate subsequent sections.)
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10	========= T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =========
11	And the title is amended as follows:
12	On page 1, line 13, after the semicolon
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14	insert:
15	providing for unenforceability against certain
16	persons or entities of charges for certain
17	services under certain circumstances; providing
18	a definition; providing a limitation; providing
19	an exception;
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