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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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03/09/2010	.	
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The Committee on Health Regulation (Bennett) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete lines 89 - 90
and insert:

appropriated and to pay the sum of \$125,000 to Lois H. Lacava within 30 days and to make a second payment of \$125,000 to Lois H. Lacava within 365 days thereafter, as compensation for injuries and

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13 And the title is amended as follows:

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15 Delete lines 19 - 40

16 and insert:

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18 WHEREAS, Dr. Mehra brought these observations to the
19 attention of the nursing staff, ordered an arterial Doppler test
20 to be performed immediately, and advised the nurse to continue
21 to daily monitor Ms. Lacava's production of red blood cells and
22 the effectiveness of a blood-thinning drug that Ms. Lacava was
23 prescribed, and

24 WHEREAS, an arterial Doppler test is a blood pressure test
25 that measures the lack of blood flow which may be caused by a
26 blockage in the arteries in the legs, and

27 WHEREAS, Dr. Mehra was not on call on the evening of
28 November 12, but the next morning he was paged by the nurse
29 taking care of Ms. Lacava and told that her venous Doppler test,
30 a test used to check the circulation in the large veins in the
31 legs, was negative for deep venous thrombosis, and

32 WHEREAS, upon further questioning, Dr. Mehra realized that
33 the arterial Doppler test had not been performed even though he
34 had ordered a nurse to conduct the test, and

35 WHEREAS, the Doppler technician, upon hearing the clinical
36 features and history of the patient, had been reluctant to
37 perform an arterial Doppler test because the technician thought
38 there was a venous problem in Ms. Lacava's leg, and