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LLS NO. 14-0279.01 Kristen Forrestal x4217

**HOUSE BILL 14-1126**

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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101      **CONCERNING THE REQUIREMENT TO INCLUDE NOTIFICATION TO A**  
102                    **PATIENT REGARDING THE PATIENT'S BREAST TISSUE**  
103                    **CLASSIFICATION WITH THE REQUIRED MAMMOGRAPHY REPORT.**

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**Bill Summary**

*(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://www.leg.state.co.us/billsummaries>.)*

The bill requires that each mammography report provided to a patient include information that identifies the patient's breast tissue classification based on the breast imaging reporting and data system established by the American college of radiology. If the health care

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
*Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.  
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facility that performed the mammography determines that a patient has dense breast tissue, the facility is required to notify the patient of the determination using specific language.

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1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** part 2 to article  
3 1.5 of title 12 as follows:

4 **PART 2**

5 **BREAST DENSITY NOTIFICATION**

6 **12-1.5-201. Mammogram report - dense breasts - required**  
7 **notice - definition.** (1) EACH PERSON WHO IS REQUIRED BY 42 U.S.C.  
8 SEC. 263b TO PROVIDE A PATIENT, THE PATIENT'S PHYSICIAN, OR MEDICAL  
9 INSTITUTION WITH A MAMMOGRAM REPORT AND WHO HAS DETERMINED  
10 THAT THE PATIENT HAS DENSE BREAST TISSUE, AS DETERMINED BY THE  
11 INTERPRETING PHYSICIAN BASED ON STANDARDS PROMULGATED BY THE  
12 AMERICAN COLLEGE OF RADIOLOGY, SHALL INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING  
13 NOTICE WITH THE MAMMOGRAM REPORT:

14 YOUR MAMMOGRAM SHOWS THAT YOUR BREAST TISSUE IS  
15 DENSE. DENSE BREAST TISSUE IS COMMON AND IS NOT  
16 ABNORMAL. HOWEVER, DENSE BREAST TISSUE CAN MAKE IT  
17 HARDER TO EVALUATE THE RESULTS OF YOUR MAMMOGRAM  
18 AND MAY ALSO BE ASSOCIATED WITH AN INCREASED RISK OF  
19 BREAST CANCER. THIS INFORMATION ABOUT THE RESULTS  
20 OF YOUR MAMMOGRAM IS GIVEN TO YOU TO RAISE YOUR  
21 AWARENESS AND TO INFORM YOUR CONVERSATIONS WITH  
22 YOUR DOCTOR. TOGETHER, YOU CAN DECIDE WHICH  
23 SCREENING OPTIONS ARE RIGHT FOR YOU. A REPORT OF  
24 YOUR RESULTS WAS SENT TO YOUR PHYSICIAN.

1           (2) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER LAW, THIS SECTION DOES NOT  
2           CREATE A CAUSE OF ACTION OR CREATE A STANDARD OF CARE,  
3           OBLIGATION, OR DUTY THAT PROVIDES A BASIS FOR A CAUSE OF ACTION.

4           **SECTION 2. Effective date.** This act takes effect July 1, 2014.

5           **SECTION 3. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,  
6           determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate  
7           preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.