

SENATE NO. 675

AN ACT REQUIRING MEDICAL ASSISTANCE INCENTIVE PAYMENTS TO HOSPITALS, CLINICS AND DOCTOR'S OFFICES THAT UTILIZE A COMPUTERIZED ORDER ENTRY RECORD SYSTEM

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled,
And by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Beginning on January 1, 2009, or the day after publication of this bill as an act,
2 whichever is later, each hospital, clinic or doctor's office that utilizes a computerized provider order
3 entry (CPOE) record system to deliver Medicaid-eligible services shall receive an annual incentive
4 Medical Assistance (MA) paid by the Division of Medical Assistance.
5 Within 30 days of the effective date of this bill or within 30 days of the commencement of
6 utilization of the CPOE record system, whichever is later, it shall be the responsibility of the
7 hospital, clinic or doctor's office to notify the Division of Medical Assistance that their facility has
8 begun utilizing the CPOE record system. The incentive payments shall be paid within 30 days of
9 the conclusion of the fiscal year in which the CPOE record system is utilized. The annual incentive
10 MA payment shall equal 1% of the MA reimbursement to the hospital, clinic or doctor's office for
11 the previous fiscal year. Incentive MA payments shall be pro-rated based upon the number of

12 weeks within the fiscal year in which the hospital, clinic or doctor's office has utilized a CPOE
13 record system.

14 EFFECTIVE DATE

15 This act takes effect on January 1, 2009, or on the day after publication, whichever is later.