

## CHAPTER 34

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**HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT**

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**HOUSE BILL 09-1025**

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**AN ACT****CONCERNING REQUIREMENTS FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO COLLECT DATA ON HOSPITAL-ACQUIRED INFECTION RATES.**

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

**SECTION 1.** 25-3-602 (1) (c), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

**25-3-602. Health facility reports - repeal.** (1) (c) An individual who collects data on hospital-acquired infection rates shall take the test for the appropriate national certification for infection control and become certified within six months after the individual becomes eligible to take the certification test. Mandatory national certification requirements shall not apply to individuals collecting data on hospital-acquired infections in hospitals licensed for fifty beds or less, LICENSED AMBULATORY SURGICAL CENTERS, AND CERTIFIED DIALYSIS TREATMENT CENTERS. Qualifications for these individuals may be met through ongoing education, training, experience, or certification, AS DEFINED BY THE DEPARTMENT.

**SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act shall take effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly that is allowed for submitting a referendum petition pursuant to article V, section 1 (3) of the state constitution, (August 4, 2009, if adjournment sine die is on May 6, 2009); except that, if a referendum petition is

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*Capital letters indicate new material added to existing statutes; dashes through words indicate deletions from existing statutes and such material not part of act.*

filed against this act or an item, section, or part of this act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part, if approved by the people, shall take effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by proclamation of the governor.

Approved: March 20, 2009

**Editor's note:** The August 4 date specified in the effective date section of this act reflects the ninetieth day, therefore the act takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on August 5, 2009.