

1997 BILL 207

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THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF ALBERTA

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HOSPITALS AMENDMENT ACT, 1997

MR. SAPERS

First Reading

Second Reading

Committee of the Whole

Third Reading

Royal Assent

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(Assented to , 1997)

HER MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the
Legislative Assembly of Alberta, enacts as follows:

1 The Hospitals Act is amended by this Act.

2 The following is added after section 49:

Discharge of
patients giving
birth

49.1(1) No hospital shall discharge a patient who has vaginally delivered a newborn child sooner than 48 hours after the time of delivery.

(2) No hospital shall discharge a patient who has delivered a newborn child by caesarian section sooner than 96 hours after the completion of the procedure.

(3) Notwithstanding subsections (1) and (2), a hospital may discharge a patient who has delivered a newborn child before the time prescribed in those subsections if the patient requests to be discharged and the patient's physician recommends that the patient be discharged.

Explanatory Notes

- 1** Amends chapter H-11 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta, 1980.