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Catch Title: Emergency care-stroke and acute heart attack patients.

Subject: Amends Department of Health’s program of designated heart attack and stroke emergency centers.

Summary/Major Elements:

• Current law adopted in 2013 directs the Department of Health to recognize and designate health care facilities as heart attack receiving centers, heart attack referring centers, comprehensive stroke centers or primary stroke centers.

• This act:
  o Adds acute stroke ready centers to the list of designated emergency treatment centers;
  o Directs the Department to adopt evidence based protocols for emergency medical personnel to treat and transport stroke and acute heart attack patients.

Comments:

• Requires a report by October 1, 2016, from Department of Health to the Joint Labor Interim Committee regarding designated stroke and heart centers, with any recommended legislative changes.