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**To:** IFASC Membership

**From:** The IFASC Legislative Committee and The Capitol Group  
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**Subject:** 2021 General Assembly Pending Legislation Impacting Ambulatory Surgical Centers – House Bill 1421 and Senate Bill 325

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There are currently two bills moving simultaneously through the Indiana General Assembly's Legislative Session that would impact ambulatory surgical centers. House Bill 1421 and Senate Bill 325 both reference 2020's Senate Enrolled Act 5 which contains the requirement for ambulatory surgical centers to post 70 shoppable services, 30 common services, and the weighted average negotiated charge per service by March 31, 2021. House Bill 1421 has now passed out of the House and the Senate with several amendments of importance. House Bill 1421 moves the compliance date for which ambulatory surgical centers are required to post certain pricing information from March 31, 2021 to December 31, 2021. House Bill 1421 removes the "weighted average negotiated charge" and replaces it with the "standard charge" which aligns it with the disclosures contained in the federal hospital price transparency rule. As House Bill 1421 now stands, ambulatory surgical centers are required to post as many of the 70 shoppable services specified by the final CMS rule published in 84 FR 65524 as provided by the ambulatory surgical center, 30 most common services offered by the ambulatory surgical center (or all services provided by the ambulatory surgical center if less than 30 are offered), and the standard charge for service which includes: the gross charge, the payer-specific negotiated charge, the de-identified minimum negotiated charge, the de-identified maximum negotiated charge, and the discounted cash price.

Senate Bill 325 is set to be heard this week in the House Public Health Committee and is set to have the same language that is in House Bill 1421 amended into it. We will continue to update the membership as these bills move forward through the legislative process.