

**Assembly Bill No. 297**

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Passed the Assembly September 6, 2013

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*Chief Clerk of the Assembly*

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Passed the Senate September 3, 2013

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*Secretary of the Senate*

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This bill was received by the Governor this \_\_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_, 2013, at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_M.

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*Private Secretary of the Governor*

## CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

An act to amend Section 1204.5 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to health care facilities.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 297, Chesbro. Primary care clinics.

Existing law requires the State Department of Public Health to license, regulate, and inspect clinics, as defined, including primary care clinics, as defined. Existing law authorizes a primary care clinic to submit verification of certification from the Joint Commission, formerly known as the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO), to the Licensing and Certification Division within the department for entry into the electronic Licensing Management System for purposes of data collection and extraction for licensing and certification fee calculations.

This bill would additionally authorize a primary care clinic to submit verification of certification from the Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care or any other accrediting organization recognized by the department to the Licensing and Certification Division for those purposes.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

SECTION 1. Section 1204.5 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

1204.5. A primary care clinic may submit verification of certification from the Joint Commission, the Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care (AAAHC), or any other accrediting organization recognized by the department to the Licensing and Certification Division within the State Department of Public Health for entry into the electronic Licensing Management System for purposes of data collection and extraction for licensing and certification fee calculations.



Approved \_\_\_\_\_, 2013

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*Governor*