

1 AN ACT concerning alternate dispute resolution.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Uniform Arbitration Act is amended by
5 changing Section 1 as follows:

6 (710 ILCS 5/1) (from Ch. 10, par. 101)

7 Sec. 1. Validity of arbitration agreement. A written
8 agreement to submit any existing controversy to arbitration or
9 a provision in a written contract to submit to arbitration any
10 controversy thereafter arising between the parties is valid,
11 enforceable and irrevocable save upon such grounds as exist for
12 the revocation of any contract, except that: (1) any agreement
13 between a patient and a hospital or health care provider to
14 submit to binding arbitration a claim for damages arising out
15 of (A) ~~(1)~~ injuries alleged to have been received by a patient,
16 or (B) ~~(2)~~ death of a patient, due to hospital or health care
17 provider negligence or other wrongful act, but not including
18 intentional torts, is also subject to the Health Care
19 Arbitration Act; and (2) no agreement to arbitrate any
20 liability associated with or arising out of the employment of
21 any seaman, master, or member of the crew of any vessel is
22 binding or enforceable.

23 (Source: P.A. 80-1012; 80-1031.)

1 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
2 becoming law.