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[Assembly Bill 4608](#), introduced in the New Jersey General Assembly and referred to the Health Committee on September 22, 2022, would allow hospital patients with developmental disabilities to designate a family member, guardian, direct support professional, or another caregiver to accompany the patient throughout the hospital stay except when patient is undergoing a surgical procedure and would be endangered by the presence of the designated person. The patient or the patient's parent or guardian may elect, at any time, to change the designation.

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