This study investigated the over view of private hospital's legal representatives and of the authorities on the main issue in the Medical Premise Act B.E. 2504, together with their problems and obstacles. The study focused on 8 main issues in the Medical Premise Act, i.e., 1) legal process in hospital establishment and operation, 2) standard of private hospital, 3) management of hospital environment, 4) management of hospital instruments, supplies, medicines etc,

5) scope of hospital advertisement, 6) hospital referral system,

7) medical informatic system, and 8) punishment. The subjects of the

study were 144 of private owners and operators, and 60 of authorities.

The revised instrument was field-test. The final questionnaires were

distributed by mailed. The returned rate of questionnaire was 59.2% .

authorities agreed with 8 stated aspects of the Medical Premise Act

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B.E. 2504. Additionally, they suggested that the statute-law should be clearly decreed about scope of private hospital advertisement and referral system between their own private hospitals, and between private and government hospitals. Majority of the private owners and operators felt reluctant about fee and punishment in establishment and operation of the hospital whether they were appropriate to current while authorities felt that Medical Premise Act was not appropriate in punishment. There was no statistical significant difference between those three samples (P > 0.05).

25.3 % of private owners and 32.9% of operators felt most problem and obstacle inpracticing Medical Premise Act was management of hospital environment, while 75.6% of authorities felt that most problem was inappropriate in punishment of Medical Premise Act. There was statistical significant difference in all problems and obstacles in practicing Medical Premise Act between private owners, operators and authorities (P < 0.05).

Suggestion: The Medical Premise Act B.E. 2504 should be revised and improved in all issues. Additionally, legal of private hospital should be distribute to related institutes. Knowledge and guideline on practicing medical legal should be provided to authorities so they can practice accurately and appropriately more than present.