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CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

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1 Representative Plasencia offered the following:

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3 **Amendment (with title amendment)**

4 Remove lines 22-46 and insert:

5 advanced practice nurse, and has licensed under part I of
6 chapter 464 who has a master's degree or a doctorate in
7 psychiatric nursing and 2 years of post-master's clinical
8 experience under the supervision of a physician.

9 Section 2. Paragraph (f) of subsection (2) of section
10 394.463, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

11 394.463 Involuntary examination.—

12 (2) INVOLUNTARY EXAMINATION.—

13 (f) A patient shall be examined by a physician, a ~~or~~
14 clinical psychologist, or a psychiatric nurse performing within

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15 the framework of an established protocol with a psychiatrist at
16 a receiving facility without unnecessary delay and may, upon the
17 order of a physician, be given emergency treatment if it is
18 determined that such treatment is necessary for the safety of
19 the patient or others. The patient may not be released by the
20 receiving facility or its contractor without the documented
21 approval of a psychiatrist or a clinical psychologist, or, if
22 the receiving facility is owned or operated by a hospital or
23 health system, the release may also be approved by a psychiatric
24 nurse performing within the framework of an established protocol
25 with a psychiatrist or an attending emergency department
26 physician with experience in the diagnosis and treatment of
27 mental and nervous disorders and after completion of an
28 involuntary examination pursuant to this subsection. A
29 psychiatric nurse may not approve the release of a patient if
30 the involuntary examination was initiated by a psychiatrist
31 unless the release is approved by the initiating

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34 **T I T L E A M E N D M E N T**

35 Remove lines 5-9 and insert:

36 certification; amending s. 394.463, F.S.; authorizing
37 a psychiatric nurse to approve the involuntary
38 examination or release of a patient from a receiving
39 facility in accordance with a specified protocol and
40 under certain conditions; providing an

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