

Amendment No.

COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

ADOPTED	<u>    </u>	(Y/N)
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ADOPTED W/O OBJECTION	<u>    </u>	(Y/N)
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1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Health & Human Services  
 2 Committee

3 Representative Pigman offered the following:

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5 **Amendment (with title amendment)**

6 Between lines 10 and 11, insert:

7 Section 1. Subsection (9) of section 395.1055, Florida  
 8 Statutes, is renumbered as subsection (11), and a new subsection  
 9 (9) and (10) are created to read:

10 (9) Pediatric cardiac programs.—

11 (a) Each provider of pediatric cardiac catheterization  
 12 services and pediatric open-heart surgery shall comply with  
 13 rules adopted by the agency establishing licensure standards for  
 14 those programs.

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15           (b) In establishing licensure standards for a pediatric  
16 cardiac catheterization program, the rules, at a minimum, must  
17 require:

18           1. The program to be located in a facility in which  
19 pediatric open-heart surgery is being performed and which is  
20 completely equipped to provide necessary medical and surgical  
21 care to the patient. The facility must be accredited by the  
22 Joint Commission.

23           2. The cardiac catheterization team to include sufficient  
24 medical and support staff to provide necessary medical and  
25 surgical care to the patient.

26           3. The program to mobilize the pediatric cardiac  
27 catheterization team within a specified period of time for an  
28 emergency procedure.

29           4. The facility where the program is located to offer a  
30 range of non-invasive cardiac and diagnostic services,  
31 including, but not limited to:

32           a. Hematology studies or coagulation studies;

33           b. Electrocardiography;

34           c. Chest x-ray;

35           d. Blood gas studies;

36           e. Clinical pathology studies and blood chemistry  
37 analysis;

38           f. A special procedure x-ray room;

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39 g. A film storage and darkroom for proper processing of  
40 films;

41 h. X-ray equipment with cineangiocardiology  
42 capabilities;

43 i. An image intensifier;

44 j. An automatic injector;

45 k. A diagnostic x-ray examination table for special  
46 procedures;

47 l. A blood gas analyzer;

48 m. A multichannel polygraph; and

49 n. Emergency equipment including a temporary pacemaker  
50 unit with catheters, ventilator assistance devices, and a DC  
51 defibrillator.

52 (c) In establishing licensure standards for a pediatric  
53 open-heart surgery program, the rules, at a minimum, must  
54 require:

55 a. The pediatric open-heart surgery team to include  
56 sufficient surgical and support staff to provide necessary  
57 medical and surgical care to the patient.

58 b. The program to:

59 1. Be available for nonemergent open-heart surgery 8 hours  
60 per day, 5 days per week;

61 2. Be capable of mobilizing the surgical and medical  
62 support teams within a specified period of time for emergency  
63 cases; and

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64 3. Provide 24 hour coverage by a physician or staff.

65 c. Post-operative care to be provided under the direction  
66 of the cardiovascular surgeon who performed the surgery, in  
67 communication with and support of the post-operative  
68 cardiovascular team as prescribed by rule. Members of the team  
69 must be on call or otherwise available for an emergency. A  
70 patient must be cared for in an intensive care unit that  
71 provides 24 hour per day nursing care with at least one  
72 registered nurse for every two patients during the first hours  
73 of post-operative care. Post-operative care must also include  
74 coverage for operation of the cardiopulmonary bypass pump 24  
75 hours per day.

76 d. Each pediatric open-heart surgery program to have the  
77 capability to provide a full range of open-heart surgery  
78 operations, including:

79 1. Repair or replacement of a heart valve;

80 2. Repair of a congenital heart defect;

81 3. Repair or reconstruction of an intrathoracic vessel;

82 and

83 4. Treatment of cardiac trauma.

84 e. A licensed facility with a pediatric open-heart surgery  
85 program to provide the following services:

86 1. Availability of consultation in cardiology, hematology,  
87 nephrology, pulmonary medicine, treatment of infectious  
88 diseases, and other appropriate pediatric subspecialties;

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89           2. Pathology, including anatomical, clinical, blood bank,  
90 and coagulation laboratory services;

91           3. Anesthesiology, including respiratory therapy;

92           4. Radiology, including diagnostic nuclear medicine;

93           5. Neurology;

94           6. Inpatient cardiac catheterization;

95           7. Non-invasive cardiographics, including  
96 electrocardiography, exercise stress testing, and  
97 echocardiography;

98           8. Intensive care; and

99           9. Emergency care available 24 hours per day for cardiac  
100 emergencies.

101           (d) Hospitals licensed for pediatric cardiac  
102 catheterization programs shall participate in the clinical  
103 outcome report system operated by the Society of Thoracic  
104 Surgeons.

105           (10) Pediatric cardiac technical advisory panel.—

106           (a) The agency shall establish a technical advisory panel  
107 to develop procedures and standards for measuring outcomes of  
108 pediatric cardiac catheterization programs and pediatric open-  
109 heart surgery programs.

110           (b) Voting members of the panel shall include:

111           1. A pediatric cardiac surgeon or pediatric cardiologist,  
112 or a designated alternate, from each of the following pediatric  
113 cardiac centers:

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- 114        a. Johns Hopkins All Children's Hospital in St.  
115 Petersburg;
- 116        b. Arnold Palmer Hospital for Children in Orlando;  
117        c. Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital in Hollywood;  
118        d. Nicklaus Children's Hospital in Miami;  
119        e. St. Joseph's Children's Hospital in Tampa;  
120        f. University of Florida, Shands Children's Hospital in  
121 Gainesville;
- 122        g. University of Miami, Holtz Children's Hospital in  
123 Miami;
- 124        h. Wolfson Children's Hospital in Jacksonville;  
125        i. Florida Hospital, Disney Children's Hospital in  
126 Orlando; and
- 127        j. Nemours Children's Hospital in Orlando.
- 128        2. An at-large member appointed by the Secretary of the  
129 Agency for Health Care Administration, who is either a pediatric  
130 cardiologist or adult cardiologist with a special interest in  
131 the care of adults with congenital heart disease.
- 132        (c) Nonvoting members of the panel shall include:
- 133        1. The Secretary of the Agency for Health Care  
134 Administration, or designee;
- 135        2. The Surgeon General, or his or her designee;  
136        3. The Deputy Secretary of Children's Medical Services, or  
137 designee;

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138       (d) The Secretary of the Agency for Health Care  
139 Administration may appoint up to four additional nonvoting  
140 members from the following organizations:

141       1. The Florida Association of Children's Hospitals;

142       2. The Florida Chapter of the American Academy of  
143 Pediatrics;

144       3. The Florida Society of Thoracic and Cardiovascular  
145 Surgeons;

146       4. The Florida Chapter of the American College of  
147 Cardiology; or

148       5. The Florida Chapter of the American Heart Association.

149       (e) Based on recommendations from the panel, the agency  
150 shall develop and adopt rules for pediatric cardiac  
151 catheterization programs and pediatric open-heart surgery  
152 programs, consistent with the licensure requirements in  
153 subsection (9), that include at least the following:

154       1. Outcome standards specifying expected levels of  
155 performance in pediatric cardiac programs, using a risk  
156 adjustment procedure that accounts for the variations in  
157 severity and case mix. Such standards may include, but are not  
158 limited to, in-hospital mortality, infection rates, and returns  
159 to surgery.

160       2. Specific steps to be taken by the agency and licensed  
161 facilities that do not meet the outcome standards within  
162 specified time periods, including time periods for detailed case

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163 reviews and development and implementation of corrective action  
164 plans.

165 Section 2. Paragraph (k) is added to subsection (3) of  
166 section 408.05, Florida Statutes, to read:

167 408.05 Florida Center for Health Information and  
168 Transparency.—

169 (3) HEALTH INFORMATION TRANSPARENCY.—In order to  
170 disseminate and facilitate the availability of comparable and  
171 uniform health information, the agency shall perform the  
172 following functions:

173 (k) Contract with the Society of Thoracic Surgeons to  
174 obtain data submitted pursuant to s. 395.1055(9)(d) for  
175 publication on the agency's website in a manner that will allow  
176 consumers to be informed of aggregate data and to compare  
177 programs.

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

181 Remove line 2 and insert:

182 An act relating to cardiac programs; amending s. 395.1055, F.S.;  
183 requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to adopt  
184 rules establishing standards for pediatric cardiac programs  
185 offered in licensed facilities, including, but not limited to,  
186 pediatric cardiac catheterization and pediatric open-heart  
187 surgery programs; establishing minimum standards for rules for



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188 | pediatric cardiac catheterization programs and pediatric open-  
189 | heart surgery programs; requiring reporting of outcomes measures  
190 | by pediatric cardiac catheterization programs; creating  
191 | pediatric cardiac technical advisory panel; specifying voting  
192 | and nonvoting membership of the panel; requiring the agency to  
193 | work with the panel to develop outcome measures for pediatric  
194 | cardiac catheterization programs; amending s. 408.05, F.S.;  
195 | requiring the agency to contract with the Society of Thoracic  
196 | Surgeons for collection of certain data for publication on the  
197 | agency's website for general and comparative purposes;