

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to emergency power for health care
 3 facilities; creating s. 366.402, F.S.; requiring the
 4 Public Service Commission to ensure that public
 5 utilities effectively prioritize the restoration of
 6 services to certain health care facilities in the
 7 event of an emergency; creating s. 408.822, F.S.;
 8 requiring certain health care facilities to have an
 9 operational generator and a supply of fuel which meet
 10 certain criteria by a specified date; providing an
 11 effective date.

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 13 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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 15 Section 1. Section 366.402, Florida Statutes, is created
 16 to read:

17 366.402 Power restoration priority.—The commission shall
 18 ensure that public utilities have effectively prioritized, in
 19 the event of an emergency, the restoration of services to
 20 critical medical facilities, including nursing homes licensed
 21 under part II of chapter 400 and assisted living facilities
 22 licensed under part I of chapter 429.

23 Section 2. Section 408.822, Florida Statutes, is created
 24 to read:

25 408.822 Emergency power.—Before January 1, 2019, all

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26 | facilities subject to this part which provide overnight care
27 | must have onsite an operational generator and a supply of fuel
28 | sufficient to sustain the generator for a minimum of 96 hours
29 | during a power outage. The generator must provide enough
30 | electricity to maintain day-to-day living conditions throughout
31 | the entire facility.

32 | Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.