## THE FLORIDA SENATE 2025 SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION PASSED Committee on Health Policy

## CS/CS/SB 1808 — Refund of Overpayments Made by Patients

by Rules Committee; Health Policy Committee; and Senator Burton

The bill requires health care practitioners, facilities, providers, and anyone who accepts payment from insurance for services rendered by health care practitioners, to refund any overpayment made by the patient no later than 30 days after determining that the patient made an overpayment.

Under the bill, if a health care practitioner fails to timely refund an overpayment after he or she determines that an overpayment was made, the failure constitutes grounds for disciplinary action by the applicable board, or the Department of Health if there is no board.

Under the bill, if a facility or provider licensed by the Agency for Health Care Administration fails to timely refund an overpayment, the agency may impose an administrative penalty of up to \$500 on the licensee.

The bill's requirement to timely refund such an overpayment does not apply to overpayments made to providers by health insurers and health maintenance organizations, and the bill instead defers to existing law for such cases.

If approved by the Governor, or allowed to become law without the Governor's signature, these provisions take effect January 1, 2026.

Vote: Senate 37-0; House 112-0

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