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

CS/CS/CS/HB 1421 — Improving Screening for and Treatment of Blood Clots

by Health & Human Services Committee; Health Care Budget Subcommittee; Health Professions & Programs Subcommittee; and Rep. Black and others (CS/CS/SB 890 by Fiscal Policy Committee; Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and Senators Yarborough, Berman, Gruters, and Rouson)

The bill creates the Emily Adkins Family Protection Act to improve screening for and treatment of blood clots. Specifically, the bill:

- Specifies that chronic critical illness and genetic predisposition for developing venous thromboembolisms (VTE) are chronic diseases.
- Requires specified training and protocols to assess and treat patients at risk of VTE when the patient is admitted to a hospital that has an emergency department or an ambulatory surgical center (ASC).
- Requires the Department of Health to contract with a private entity to establish and maintain a statewide VTE registry.
- Requires the Agency for Health Care Administration to provide a report to the Governor and the Legislature on the incidence of VTE.
- Requires each hospital that has an emergency department and each ASC to report certain information to the registry.
- Requires certified nursing assistants, when employed by a nursing home facility for a 12-month period or longer, to receive training on recognizing the signs and symptoms of VTE and techniques for providing an emergency response.
- Requires assisted living facilities to provide a pamphlet to residents upon admission containing information on VTE.

If approved by the Governor, or allowed to become law without the Governor's signature, these provisions take effect July 1, 2025.

Vote: Senate 36-0; House 110-0

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