

By Senator Forman

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to Broward County; providing
3 for the relief of Tirini S. Riley, a minor, for
4 injuries sustained arising out of an accident
5 that occurred while she was a patient of the
6 South Broward Hospital District, d/b/a Memorial
7 Hospital; providing an effective date.
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9 WHEREAS, on July 27, 1993, an accident occurred to
10 Tirini S. Riley, a minor, who was a patient of the South
11 Broward Hospital District, d/b/a Memorial Hospital, and
12 WHEREAS, as a result of that accident, Tirini S. Riley
13 sustained serious injury that formed the basis of legal action
14 brought by Beverly A. Riley, individually and as natural
15 parent and guardian of Tirini S. Riley, and by Earnest E.
16 Richardson, individually and as father of Tirini S. Riley, and
17 WHEREAS, on November 27, 1996, a consent judgment in
18 the amount of \$1,100,000 was entered in the Circuit Court of
19 the 17th Judicial Circuit in and for Broward County, Florida,
20 against the South Broward Hospital District, d/b/a Memorial
21 Hospital, and in favor of Beverly A. Riley, as natural parent
22 and guardian of Tirini S. Riley, for the benefit of Tirini S.
23 Riley, and
24 WHEREAS, the consent judgment noted that execution
25 would issue with respect to the sum of \$100,000 pursuant to
26 the statutory limitation of liability contained in section
27 768.28, Florida Statutes, and
28 WHEREAS, the consent judgment provided that the payment
29 of the sum of \$1,000,000 would be made only in accordance with
30 the law applicable to claim bills, and further provided that
31 the amount of the judgment was fully inclusive of all claims

1 for damages, litigation costs, and attorney's fees and would
2 not accrue interest until 30 days after such a claim bill
3 became law, and

4 WHEREAS, South Broward Hospital District fully supports
5 the passage of a claim bill for this claim in the amount of
6 \$1,000,000, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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10 Section 1. The facts stated in the preamble to this
11 act are found and declared to be true.

12 Section 2. The South Broward Hospital District, d/b/a
13 Memorial Hospital, is authorized and directed to appropriate
14 from funds of the hospital district not otherwise appropriated
15 and to draw a warrant in the sum of \$1,000,000, plus any
16 interest accruing thereon from July 31, 1997, through the date
17 of payment in full of the amount owed, payable to Beverly A.
18 Riley, as natural parent and guardian of Tirini S. Riley, a
19 minor, for the benefit of Tirini S. Riley for injuries and
20 damages sustained as a result of an accident that occurred
21 while said minor was a patient of the hospital.

22 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 1998.

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