

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; specifying use of the funds;  
8           providing an effective date.

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10           WHEREAS, on July 27, 1993, an accident occurred to  
11 Tirini S. Riley, a minor, who was a patient of the South  
12 Broward Hospital District, d/b/a Memorial Hospital, and

13           WHEREAS, as a result of that accident, Tirini S. Riley  
14 sustained serious injury that formed the basis of legal action  
15 brought by Beverly A. Riley, individually and as natural  
16 parent and guardian of Tirini S. Riley, and by Earnest E.

17 Richardson, individually and as father of Tirini S. Riley, and

18           WHEREAS, on November 27, 1996, a consent judgment in  
19 the amount of \$1,100,000 was entered in the Circuit Court of  
20 the 17th Judicial Circuit in and for Broward County, Florida,  
21 against the South Broward Hospital District, d/b/a Memorial  
22 Hospital, and in favor of Beverly A. Riley, as natural parent  
23 and guardian of Tirini S. Riley, for the benefit of Tirini S.  
24 Riley, and

25           WHEREAS, the consent judgment noted that execution  
26 would issue with respect to the sum of \$100,000 pursuant to  
27 the statutory limitation of liability contained in section  
28 768.28, Florida Statutes, and

29           WHEREAS, the consent judgment provided that the payment  
30 of the sum of \$1,000,000 would be made only in accordance with  
31 the law applicable to claim bills, and further provided that

1 the amount of the judgment was fully inclusive of all claims  
 2 for damages, litigation costs, and attorney's fees and would  
 3 not accrue interest until 30 days after such a claim bill  
 4 became law, and

5 WHEREAS, South Broward Hospital District fully supports  
 6 the passage of a claim bill for this claim in the amount of  
 7 \$1,000,000, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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

Section 2. The South Broward Hospital District, d/b/a Memorial Hospital, is authorized and directed to appropriate from funds of the hospital district not otherwise appropriated and to draw a warrant in the sum of \$1,000,000, with no interest thereon, payable to Beverly A. Riley, as natural parent and guardian of Tirini S. Riley, a minor, for the benefit of Tirini S. Riley for injuries and damages sustained as a result of an accident that occurred while said minor was a patient of the hospital. After payment of statutory attorney fees, and costs, the balance shall be paid into the existing Special Needs Trust Fund established for Tirini S. Riley. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 409.910, Florida Statutes, the lien provided therein shall be in accordance with the terms of the existing Special Needs Trust Fund.

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