Bill No. SB 2422 Amendment No. 2 CHAMBER ACTION Senate House 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 The Committee on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care recommended 11 the following amendment: 12 13 14 Senate Amendment (with title amendment) On page 2, between lines 18 & 19, 15 16 17 insert: 18 Section 2. Subsection (42) of Section 408.07, Florida 19 Statutes, is amended to read: 20 408.07 Definitions.--As used in this chapter, with the 21 exception of ss. 408.031-408.045, the term: 22 (42) "Rural hospital" means an acute care hospital 23 licensed under chapter 395, having 100 or fewer licensed beds 24 and an emergency room, located in an area defined as rural by 25 the United States Census, and which is: 26 (a) The sole provider within a county with a 27 population density of no greater than 100 persons per square 28 mile; 29 (b) An acute care hospital, in a county with a 30 population density of no greater than 100 persons per square mile, which is at least 30 minutes of travel time, on normally 31 1 6:51 PM 03/28/00 s2422.hc.02 Bill No. <u>SB 2422</u> Amendment No. 2

traveled roads under normal traffic conditions, from another 1 2 acute care hospital within the same county; or 3 (c) A hospital supported by a tax district or 4 subdistrict whose boundaries encompass a population of 100 5 persons or fewer per square mile;-6 (d) A hospital with a service area that has a 7 population of 100 persons or fewer per square mile. As used in this paragraph the term "service area" means the fewest number 8 of ZIP codes that account for 75 percent of the hospital's 9 discharges for the most recent 5-year period, based on 10 information available from the hospital inpatient discharge 11 12 database in the State Center for Health Statistics at the 13 Agency for Health Care Administration; or 14 (e) A hospital designated as a critical access 15 hospital by the Department of Health. 16 17 Population densities used in this subsection must be based upon the most recently completed United States census. 18 19 20 21 And the title is amended as follows: 22 23 On page 1, lines 4 and 5, delete "s. 395.602," 24 25 and insert: 26 ss. 395.602 and 408.07, 27 28 29 30 31 2

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