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A bill to be entitled
An act relating to the Veterans' Nursing Home
of Florida; amending s. 296.36, F.S.;
prescribing eligibility requirements for
admittance to the home; providing an effective
date.

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

Section 1. Paragraphs (c) and (d) are added to
subsection (1) of section 296.36, Florida Statutes, to read:

296.36 Eligibility and priority of admittance.--

(1) To be eligible for admittance to the home, the
person must be a veteran as defined in s. 1.01(14) and must:

(a) Be in need of nursing home care;~~;~~

(b) Have been a resident of the state for 1 year
immediately preceding, and at the time of application for,
admission to the home;~~;~~

(c) Not have an outstanding debt to the department for
services rendered during any previous stay at a department
facility; and

(d) Have applied for all financial assistance
reasonably available through government sources.

Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a
law.

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SENATE SUMMARY

Adds a requirement that in order to be eligible for admittance to the Veterans' Nursing Home of Florida a veteran must not have an outstanding debt to the Department of Veterans' Affairs for a previous stay at a department facility and must have applied for all financial assistance reasonably available through government sources.