

Bill No. CS for SB 420

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11	Senator Mitchell moved the following amendment:		
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13	Senate Amendment (with title amendment)		
14	On page 38, between lines 25 and 26,		
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16	insert:		
17	Section 17. Present subsections (3) and (4) of section		
18	154.306, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as subsections (4)		
19	and (5), respectively, and a new subsection (3) is added to		
20	that section, to read:		
21	154.306 Financial responsibility for certified		
22	residents who are qualified indigent patients treated at an		
23	out-of-county participating hospital or regional referral		
24	hospital.--Ultimate financial responsibility for treatment		
25	received at a participating hospital or a regional referral		
26	hospital by a qualified indigent patient who is a certified		
27	resident of a county in the State of Florida, but is not a		
28	resident of the county in which the participating hospital or		
29	regional referral hospital is located, is the obligation of		
30	the county of which the qualified indigent patient is a		
31	resident. Each county shall reimburse participating hospitals		

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1 or regional referral hospitals as provided for in this part,
2 and shall provide or arrange for indigent eligibility
3 determination procedures and resident certification
4 determination procedures as provided for in rules developed to
5 implement this part. The agency, or any county determining
6 eligibility of a qualified indigent, shall provide to the
7 county of residence, upon request, a copy of any documents,
8 forms, or other information, as determined by rule, which may
9 be used in making an eligibility determination.

10 (3) For the purpose of computing the maximum amount
11 that a county at or below 100,000 in population may be
12 required to pay, the agency must reduce the official state
13 population estimates by the number of inmates and patients
14 residing in the county in institutions operated by the Federal
15 Government, the Department of Corrections, the Department of
16 Health, or the Department of Children and Family Services, and
17 by the number of active-duty military personnel residing in
18 the county, all of whom shall shall not be considered
19 residents of the county, provided that the county agrees to
20 accept such documents, forms, or other information used to
21 certify financial eligibility and county residency, provided
22 by the participating hospital or regional referral hospital to
23 the county of residence as valid and true without requiring
24 reverification by the county of residence, and provided such
25 documentation is complete and in the form required by s.
26 154.3105.

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28 (Redesignate subsequent sections.)

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2 And the title is amended as follows:

3 On page 3, line 1, after the second semicolon,

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5 insert:

6 amending s. 154.306, F.S.; requiring that
7 counties accept specified documents, forms, and
8 other information provided by participating
9 hospital or regional referral hospital;
10 providing for excluding active-duty military
11 personnel and certain institutionalized county
12 residents from state population estimates when
13 calculating a county's financial responsibility
14 for hospitals' treatment of the specific
15 county's indigent residents;

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