

By the Committee on Education

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to university health services
3 support organizations; providing that such
4 organizations may enter into specified
5 arrangements with other entities for the
6 benefit of university academic health sciences
7 centers; providing for future review and repeal
8 of s. 240.2995(1), F.S., relating to the
9 establishment of university health services
10 support organizations; providing an effective
11 date.

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

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15 Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 240.2995, Florida
16 Statutes, is amended to read:

17 240.2995 University health services support
18 organizations.--

19 (1) Each state university is authorized to establish
20 university health services support organizations, which shall
21 have the ability to enter into, for the benefit of the
22 university academic health sciences center, ~~and~~ arrangements
23 with other entities as providers in other integrated health
24 care systems or similar entities. To the extent required by
25 law or rule, university health services support organizations
26 shall become licensed as insurance companies, pursuant to
27 chapter 624, or be certified as health maintenance
28 organizations, pursuant to chapter 641. University health
29 services support organizations shall have sole responsibility
30 for the acts, debts, liabilities, and obligations of the
31 organization. In no case shall the state or university have

1 any responsibility for such acts, debts, liabilities, and
2 obligations incurred or assumed by university health services
3 support organizations.

4 Section 2. Subsection (1) of section 240.2995, Florida
5 Statutes, is repealed January 7, 2003, and shall be reviewed
6 by the Legislature prior to that date.

7 Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a
8 law.

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SENATE SUMMARY

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Authorizes university health services support
13 organizations to enter into certain arrangements for the
benefit of university academic health sciences centers.

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