

By Representative Fasano

1                                   A bill to be entitled  
 2           An act relating to public medical assistance;  
 3           amending s. 395.701, F.S.; removing the annual  
 4           assessment on hospital outpatient services to  
 5           fund public medical assistance; repealing s.  
 6           395.7015, F.S., which provides for an annual  
 7           assessment on certain other health care  
 8           entities to fund public medical assistance;  
 9           amending s. 395.7016, F.S., which provides for  
 10          annual appropriations to replace funds lost due  
 11          to reductions made by ch. 2000-256, Laws of  
 12          Florida, to remove reductions in the assessment  
 13          under s. 395.7015, F.S.; providing an effective  
 14          date.

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

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 18           Section 1. Subsection (2) of section 395.701, Florida  
 19 Statutes, is amended to read:

20           395.701 Annual assessments on net operating revenues  
 21 for inpatient ~~and outpatient~~ services to fund public medical  
 22 assistance; administrative fines for failure to pay  
 23 assessments when due; exemption.--

24           (2)~~(a)~~ There is imposed upon each hospital an  
 25 assessment in an amount equal to 1.5 percent of the annual net  
 26 operating revenue for inpatient services for each hospital,  
 27 such revenue to be determined by the agency, based on the  
 28 actual experience of the hospital as reported to the agency.  
 29 Within 6 months after the end of each hospital fiscal year,  
 30 the agency shall certify the amount of the assessment for each  
 31 hospital. The assessment shall be payable to and collected by

1 the agency in equal quarterly amounts, on or before the first  
2 day of each calendar quarter, beginning with the first full  
3 calendar quarter that occurs after the agency certifies the  
4 amount of the assessment for each hospital. All moneys  
5 collected pursuant to this subsection shall be deposited into  
6 the Public Medical Assistance Trust Fund.

7 ~~(b) There is imposed upon each hospital an assessment~~  
8 ~~in an amount equal to 1 percent of the annual net operating~~  
9 ~~revenue for outpatient services for each hospital, such~~  
10 ~~revenue to be determined by the agency, based on the actual~~  
11 ~~experience of the hospital as reported to the agency. While~~  
12 ~~prior year report worksheets may be reconciled to the~~  
13 ~~hospital's audited financial statements, no additional audited~~  
14 ~~financial components may be required for the purposes of~~  
15 ~~determining the amount of the assessment imposed pursuant to~~  
16 ~~this section other than those in effect on July 1, 2000.~~  
17 ~~Within 6 months after the end of each hospital fiscal year,~~  
18 ~~the agency shall certify the amount of the assessment for each~~  
19 ~~hospital. The assessment shall be payable to and collected by~~  
20 ~~the agency in equal quarterly amounts, on or before the first~~  
21 ~~day of each calendar quarter, beginning with the first full~~  
22 ~~calendar quarter that occurs after the agency certifies the~~  
23 ~~amount of the assessment for each hospital. All moneys~~  
24 ~~collected pursuant to this subsection shall be deposited into~~  
25 ~~the Public Medical Assistance Trust Fund.~~

26 Section 2. Section 395.7015, Florida Statutes, is  
27 repealed.

28 Section 3. Section 395.7016, Florida Statutes, is  
29 amended to read:

30 395.7016 Annual appropriation.--The Legislature shall  
31 appropriate each fiscal year from either the General Revenue

1 Fund or the Agency for Health Care Administration Tobacco  
2 Settlement Trust Fund an amount sufficient to replace the  
3 funds lost due to reduction by chapter 2000-256, Laws of  
4 Florida, ~~of the assessment on other health care entities under~~  
5 ~~s. 395.7015, and the reduction by chapter 2000-256~~ in the  
6 assessment on hospitals under s. 395.701, and to maintain  
7 federal approval of the reduced amount of funds deposited into  
8 the Public Medical Assistance Trust Fund under s. 395.701, as  
9 state match for the state's Medicaid program.

10 Section 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a  
11 law.

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13 HOUSE SUMMARY

14 Removes the annual assessments on hospital outpatient  
15 services and certain other health care entities to fund  
16 public medical assistance.  
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