

1                           A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to certificates of need;  
3           amending s. 408.036, F.S.; exempting certain  
4           open-heart-surgery programs from  
5           certificate-of-need review requirements;  
6           providing an effective date.

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

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10           Section 1. Paragraph (t) is added to subsection (3) of  
11 section 408.036, Florida Statutes, to read:

12           408.036 Projects subject to review.--

13           (3) EXEMPTIONS.--Upon request, the following projects  
14 are subject to exemption from the provisions of subsection  
15 (1):

16           (t) For the provision of adult open-heart surgery  
17 services in a hospital. The applicant must certify that it  
18 will provide a minimum of 2 percent of such services to  
19 charity or Medicaid patients.

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

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24                           SENATE SUMMARY

25           Exempts provision of adult open-heart-surgery services in  
26 a hospital from certificate-of-need review when the  
27 hospital certifies that it will provide at least 2  
28 percent of such services to charity or Medicaid patients.  
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