

HB 1227

2004

1                                   A bill to be entitled  
 2           An act relating to Collier County; amending chapter 2003-  
 3           360, Laws of Florida; providing for determination of  
 4           reasonable charges due a charitable hospital located in  
 5           Collier County under a contract or agreement entered into  
 6           between such hospital and a nongovernmental third-party  
 7           payor; providing an effective date.

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

10  
 11           Section 1. Subsection (4) of section 1 of chapter 2003-  
 12           360, Laws of Florida, is amended to read:

13           Section 1.

14           (4) If no amount is paid or is at any time payable under  
 15           any third-party-payor contract or agreement between the hospital  
 16           and third-party payors, or from any other private, public,  
 17           county, state, or federal insurance, contract, agreement,  
 18           benefit, program, or plan, the amount of reasonable charges must  
 19           be determined under the nongovernmental third-party-payor  
 20           contract or agreement entered into between the hospital and a  
 21           nongovernmental third-party payor which provides for the lowest  
 22           charges agreed to as acceptable by the hospital, taking into  
 23           account all reductions and write-offs provided for in the  
 24           nongovernmental third-party-payor contract or agreement in  
 25           effect at the time the charges were incurred.

26           Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2004.