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Senator Saunders moved the following amendment:

Senate Amendment

On page 4, line 26, through
page 7, line 31, delete those lines

and insert:

Section 4. Section 395.4001, Florida Statutes, is
amended to read:

395.4001 Definitions.--As used in this part, the term:

(1) "Agency" means the Agency for Health Care
Administration.

(2) "Charity care" or "uncompensated ~~trauma~~ ~~charity~~
care" means that portion of hospital charges reported to the
agency for which there is no compensation, other than
restricted or unrestricted revenues provided to a hospital by
local governments or tax districts regardless of method of
payment, for care provided to a patient whose family income
for the 12 months preceding the determination is less than or
equal to 200 ~~150~~ percent of the federal poverty level, unless
the amount of hospital charges due from the patient exceeds 25

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1 percent of the annual family income. However, in no case shall
2 the hospital charges for a patient whose family income exceeds
3 four times the federal poverty level for a family of four be
4 considered charity.

5 (3) "Department" means the Department of Health.

6 (4) "Interfacility trauma transfer" means the transfer
7 of a trauma victim between two facilities licensed under this
8 chapter, pursuant to this part.

9 (5) "Level I trauma center" means a trauma center
10 that:

11 (a) Has formal research and education programs for the
12 enhancement of trauma care; ~~and is verified determined~~ by the
13 department to be in substantial compliance with Level I trauma
14 center and pediatric trauma ~~referral~~ center standards; and has
15 been approved by the department to operate as a Level I trauma
16 center.

17 (b) Serves as a resource facility to Level II trauma
18 centers, pediatric trauma ~~referral~~ centers, and general
19 hospitals through shared outreach, education, and quality
20 improvement activities.

21 (c) Participates in an inclusive system of trauma
22 care, including providing leadership, system evaluation, and
23 quality improvement activities.

24 (6) "Level II trauma center" means a trauma center
25 that:

26 (a) Is ~~verified determined~~ by the department to be in
27 substantial compliance with Level II trauma center standards
28 and has been approved by the department to operate as a Level
29 II trauma center.

30 (b) Serves as a resource facility to general hospitals
31 through shared outreach, education, and quality improvement

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1 activities.

2 (c) Participates in an inclusive system of trauma
3 care.

4 (7) "Pediatric trauma ~~referral~~ center" means a
5 hospital that is verified ~~determined~~ by the department to be
6 in substantial compliance with pediatric trauma ~~referral~~
7 center standards as established by rule of the department and
8 has been approved by the department to operate as a pediatric
9 trauma center.

10 (8) "Provisional trauma center" means a hospital that
11 has been verified by the department to be in substantial
12 compliance with the requirements in s. 395.4025 and has been
13 approved by the department to operate as a provisional Level I
14 trauma center, Level II trauma center, or pediatric trauma
15 center.

16 ~~(8) "State-approved trauma center" means a hospital~~
17 ~~that has successfully completed the selection process pursuant~~
18 ~~to s. 395.4025 and has been approved by the department to~~
19 ~~operate as a trauma center in the state.~~

20 ~~(9) "State-sponsored trauma center" means a trauma~~
21 ~~center or pediatric trauma referral center that receives state~~
22 ~~funding for trauma care services under s. 395.403.~~

23 ~~(9)(10)~~ "Trauma agency" means a department-approved
24 agency established and operated by one or more counties, or a
25 department-approved entity with which one or more counties
26 contract, for the purpose of administering an inclusive
27 regional trauma system.

28 ~~(10)(11)~~ "Trauma alert victim" means a person who has
29 incurred a single or multisystem injury due to blunt or
30 penetrating means or burns, who requires immediate medical
31 intervention or treatment, and who meets one or more of the

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1 adult or pediatric scorecard criteria established by the
2 department by rule.

3 ~~(11)(12)~~ "Trauma center" means a ~~any~~ hospital that has
4 been verified ~~determined~~ by the department to be in
5 substantial compliance with the requirements in s. 395.4025
6 and has been approved by the department to operate as a Level
7 I trauma center, Level II trauma center, or pediatric trauma
8 ~~center verification standards as either state-approved or~~
9 ~~provisional state-approved.~~

10 ~~(12)(13)~~ "Trauma scorecard" means a statewide
11 methodology adopted by the department by rule under which a
12 person who has incurred a traumatic injury is graded as to the
13 severity of his or her injuries or illness and which
14 methodology is used as the basis for making destination
15 decisions.

16 ~~(13)(14)~~ "Trauma transport protocol" means a document
17 which describes the policies, processes, and procedures
18 governing the dispatch of vehicles, the triage, prehospital
19 transport, and interfacility trauma transfer of trauma
20 victims.

21 ~~(14)(15)~~ "Trauma victim" means any person who has
22 incurred a single or multisystem injury due to blunt or
23 penetrating means or burns and who requires immediate medical
24 intervention or treatment.

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