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CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

House

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1 Representative Littlefield offered the following:

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3 **Amendment (with title amendment)**

4 On page 23, between lines 19 and 20,
5 insert:

6 Section 18. Paragraph (b) of subsection (5) of section
7 400.235, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

8 400.235 Nursing home quality and licensure status; Gold
9 Seal Program.--

10 (5) Facilities must meet the following additional criteria
11 for recognition as a Gold Seal Program facility:

12 (b) Evidence financial soundness and stability according
13 to standards adopted by the agency in administrative rule. Such
14 standards must include, but not be limited to, criteria for the
15 use of financial statements that are prepared in accordance with
16 generally accepted accounting principles and that are reviewed

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17 | or audited by certified public accountants. A nursing home that
 18 | is part of the same corporate entity as a continuing care
 19 | facility licensed under chapter 651 which meets the minimum
 20 | liquid reserve requirements specified in s. 651.035 and is
 21 | accredited by a recognized accrediting organization under s.
 22 | 651.028 and rules of the Office of Insurance Regulation
 23 | satisfies this requirement as long as the accreditation is not
 24 | provisional. Facilities operated by a federal or state agency
 25 | are deemed to be financially stable for purposes of applying for
 26 | the Gold Seal.

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 28 | A facility assigned a conditional licensure status may not
 29 | qualify for consideration for the Gold Seal Program until after
 30 | it has operated for 30 months with no class I or class II
 31 | deficiencies and has completed a regularly scheduled relicensure
 32 | survey.

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35 | On page 3, between lines 28 and 29,
 36 | insert:
 37 | amending s. 400.235, F.S.; specifying circumstances in which
 38 | certain facilities may be deemed financially stable;