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Senator Constantine moved the following amendment:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

On page 7, line 9, after the period

insert: Thirty days after the release of the Governor's Executive Budget Recommendations, the commission shall present to the Legislative Budget Commission for approval the formula for allocating the Medicaid nonemergency transportation funds it anticipates receiving from the Agency for Health Care Administration, as specified in the Governor's Executive Budget Recommendations, for the upcoming fiscal year. The formula must document the amount of the funding expected to be allocated to each county. No change that would negatively affect any county may be implemented by the commission unless the General Appropriations Act approved by the Legislature reduces the amount allocated to the commission. Any reduction made to a county as a result of the Legislature's reducing the funding available to the commission must be made in a fair and equitable manner.

Section 2. Subsection (12) of section 427.013, Florida

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1 Statutes, is amended to read:

2 427.013 The Commission for the Transportation
3 Disadvantaged; purpose and responsibilities.--The purpose of
4 the commission is to accomplish the coordination of
5 transportation services provided to the transportation
6 disadvantaged. The goal of this coordination shall be to
7 assure the cost-effective provision of transportation by
8 qualified community transportation coordinators or
9 transportation operators for the transportation disadvantaged
10 without any bias or presumption in favor of multioperator
11 systems or not-for-profit transportation operators over single
12 operator systems or for-profit transportation operators. In
13 carrying out this purpose, the commission shall:

14 (12)(a) Have the authority to apply for and accept
15 funds, grants, gifts, and services from the Federal
16 Government, state government, local governments, or private
17 funding sources. Applications by the commission for local
18 government funds shall be coordinated through the appropriate
19 coordinating board. Funds acquired or accepted under this
20 subsection shall be administered by the commission and shall
21 be used to carry out the commission's responsibilities.

22 (b) Develop a Medicaid allocation methodology or
23 formula that equitably distributes the funds under the control
24 of the commission to compensate counties, community
25 transportation coordinators, or other entities providing
26 transportation disadvantaged services. The formula shall take
27 into account not only the actual costs of each trip but also
28 program efficiencies. The methodology or formula must ensure
29 that a trip credit process is incorporated into the formula to
30 ensure that cost-effective solutions are properly measured and
31 taken into account.

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(Redesignate subsequent sections.)

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And the title is amended as follows:

On page 1, line 17, after the semicolon,

insert:

requiring the commission to present a formula
to the Legislative Budget Commission for
allocating the Medicaid nonemergency
transportation funds the commission anticipates
receiving from the Agency for Health Care
Administration; requiring the commission to
document the amount of the funding expected to
be allocated to each county; prohibiting any
reduction in allocation to a county unless the
General Appropriations Act reduces the amount
allocated to the commission; amending s.
427.013, F.S.; requiring the commission to
develop a Medicaid allocation methodology to
equitably distribute transportation funds under
the control of the commission to counties,
community transportation coordinators, or other
entities providing transportation disadvantaged
services; providing for the methodology to
develop the formula;