

Bill No. CS for SB 1622

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The Committee on Health and Human Services Appropriations
(Pruitt) recommended the following amendment:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause

and insert:

Section 1. Subsection (6) of section 400.602, Florida
Statutes, is amended and subsection (7) is added to that
section, to read:

400.602 Licensure required; prohibited acts;
exemptions; display, transferability of license.--

(6) Notwithstanding subsection (7) and s. 400.601(3),
at any time after July 1, 1995, any entity entitled to
licensure under subsection (5) may obtain a license for up to
two additional hospices in accordance with the other
requirements of this part and upon receipt of any certificate
of need that may be required under the provisions of ss.
408.031-408.045.

(7)(a) Notwithstanding the provisions of s.
400.601(3), any hospice that is organized as a for-profit

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1 corporation and provides a continuum of palliative and
 2 supportive care for a terminally ill patient and his or her
 3 family may obtain a license in accordance with the other
 4 requirements of this part and upon receipt of any certificate
 5 of need required under ss. 408.031-408.045 to provide care in:

6 1. Hospice services areas having populations of
 7 750,000 or more, except that it may not be located in any
 8 county in the service area which has a a population of 550,000
 9 or less; or

10 2. A hospice service area in which a for-profit
 11 hospice is currently licensed to operate under subsections (5)
 12 or (6).

13 (b) The Agency for Health Care Administration shall
 14 use hospice service areas as published on January 1, 2005. No
 15 later than January 1, 2007, the Agency for Health Care
 16 Administration shall submit to the Legislature a report
 17 analyzing the impact of for-profit hospices on the delivery of
 18 care to terminally ill patients, including a review of the
 19 quality of care, the change in the competitive marketplace,
 20 and any other relevant information.

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

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26 And the title is amended as follows:

27 Delete everything before the enacting clause

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 29 and insert:

30 A bill to be entitled

31 An act relating to hospices; amending s.

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1 400.602, F.S.; providing for licensure of
2 hospices that meet specified conditions;
3 requiring a report to the Legislature by the
4 Agency for Health Care Administration;
5 providing an effective date.

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