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11   Senator Jones moved the following amendment:

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13   **Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

14   On page 4, between lines 8 and 9,

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16   insert:

17   Section 2. Paragraph (f) of subsection (4) of section

18   381.0405, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

19   381.0405 Office of Rural Health.--

20   (4) COORDINATION.--The office shall:

21   (f) Assume responsibility for state coordination of

22   ~~the Rural Hospital Transition Grant Program, the Essential~~

23   ~~Access Community Hospital Program, and other~~ federal <u>rural</u>

24   <u>hospital and</u> rural health care <u>grant</u> programs.

25   Section 3. Section 381.0409, Florida Statutes, is

26   created to read:

27   <u>381.0409 Coordination with federal health professional</u>

28   <u>recruitment and placement programs.--The department may</u>

29   <u>coordinate with the Federal Government to designated health</u>

30   <u>professional shortage areas and medically underserved areas,</u>

31   <u>to recommend foreign physicians for visa waivers, to document</u>

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1 health professionals working in the public interest, and to

2 place health care professionals in medically underserved areas

3 using federally funded recruitment incentive programs.

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5 (Redesignate subsequent sections.)

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9 And the title is amended as follows:

10   On page 1, line 19, after the semicolon,

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12 insert:

13   amending s. 381.0405, F.S.; providing that the

14   Office of Rural Health is responsible for state

15   coordination of federal rural hospital and

16   rural health care grant programs; deleting

17   obsolete provisions; creating s. 381.0409,

18   F.S.; authorizing the Department of Health to

19   coordinate with the Federal Government in

20   carrying out certain activities relating to the

21   recruitment and placement of health

22   practitioners in medically underserved areas;

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