

CHAMBER ACTION

1 The Health & Families Council recommends the following:

2
3 **Council/Committee Substitute**

4 Remove the entire bill and insert:

5
6 A bill to be entitled

7 An act relating to the Sarasota County Public Hospital
8 District; amending chapter 2003-359, Laws of Florida;
9 authorizing the Sarasota County Public Hospital Board to
10 establish, operate, and maintain facilities and services
11 outside the boundaries of the district; restricting the
12 use of ad valorem tax funds to facilities and services
13 within the district; providing for severability; providing
14 an effective date.

15
16 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

17
18 Section 1. Subsections (20), (21), (22), and (23) are
19 added to section 8 of section 3 of chapter 2003-359, Laws of
20 Florida, to read:

21 (20) The Hospital Board is hereby authorized and
22 empowered, notwithstanding any language contained elsewhere in
23 this act to the contrary, to establish, construct, equip,

24 | operate, and maintain both within and beyond the boundaries of
 25 | the District, in addition to hospitals, all manner of other
 26 | health care facilities and all manner of other health care
 27 | services which promote the public health and the health care
 28 | needs of those members of the public served by the Sarasota
 29 | County Public Hospital Board, subject to the provisions of
 30 | sections 408.031-408.0455, Florida Statutes.

31 | (21) Notwithstanding any other provision of this act which
 32 | permits the joint participation with other hospitals and health
 33 | care providers or which permits the establishment or providing
 34 | of other health care facilities or services beyond the
 35 | boundaries of the Sarasota County Public Hospital District, the
 36 | Hospital Board shall be expressly prohibited from using any
 37 | funds derived from the assessment of ad valorem taxes on
 38 | property located within the District to support any such joint
 39 | participation or to establish or provide any health care
 40 | facility or health care service beyond the boundaries of the
 41 | District, it being the express intent of the Legislature that
 42 | any ad valorem tax funds be used solely toward health care
 43 | facilities or health care services within the District.

44 | (22) The Hospital Board is authorized and empowered to
 45 | contract with individuals, partnerships, corporations,
 46 | municipalities, the county, the state, and any subdivision or
 47 | agency thereof in the United States of America, to carry out the
 48 | purposes of this act, including participation in the joint
 49 | provision with other hospitals and health care providers of all
 50 | manner of inpatient and outpatient facilities and health care
 51 | services which provide benefit to those members of the public

HB 783 CS

2005
CS

52 served by the hospital or hospitals of the District both within
53 and beyond the boundaries of the Sarasota County Public Hospital
54 District and to the extent such participation is consistent with
55 all restrictions contained in the constitution and general laws
56 of the state and the provisions of sections 408.031-408.0455,
57 Florida Statutes.

58 (23) The Hospital Board shall have and exercise all powers
59 necessary, incidental, or convenient to effect any or all of the
60 purposes for which the District or the Hospital Board is
61 organized under the provisions of this act.

62 Section 2. If any section, paragraph, sentence, clause,
63 phrase, or other part of this act shall be declared
64 unconstitutional, or if this act should be declared inapplicable
65 in any case, such declaration shall not affect the remainder of
66 this act or the applicability thereof in any other case.

67 Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.