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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to patient brokering; amending s. 817.505, F.S.; providing that the statutory provision prohibiting patient brokering is not applicable to a physician's referral of a person to an attorney or an attorney's referral of a person to a physician; providing that such referral is not payment or compensation; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Paragraph (j) is added to subsection (3) of section 817.505, Florida Statutes, to read:

817.505 Patient brokering prohibited; exceptions; penalties.--

(3) This section shall not apply to:

(j) The referral of any person by a physician licensed under chapter 458, chapter 459, chapter 460, or chapter 461, or by a group practice as defined in s. 456.053(3), to an attorney, or the referral of any person by an attorney to a physician licensed under chapter 458, chapter 459, chapter 460, or chapter 461, or to a group practice as defined in s. 456.053(3). Such referral does not constitute payment or compensation.

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

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SENATE SUMMARY

Provides that the statutory provision that prohibits patient brokering is not applicable to a physician's referral of a person to an attorney or an attorney's referral of a person to a physician. Provides that such referral is not payment or compensation.