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1 A bill to be entitled

2 An act relating to hospital county reimbursement; creating
3 s. 154.317, F.S.; authorizing a county hospital or
4 hospital district to request reimbursement of costs of
5 care incurred for an indigent from the county where that
6 indigent is a resident; requiring the county of residency
7 to reimburse the county or county hospital district for
8 costs of care for such indigent within a certain number of
9 days following the date of the request; providing an
10 effective date.

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

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14 Section 1. Section 154.317, Florida Statutes, is created to
15 read:

16 154.317 Expedited reimbursement process.--Notwithstanding
17 any other provision of this part, any hospital that is an
18 instrumentality of a county and any county hospital district may
19 immediately request reimbursement of reasonable and necessary
20 costs of care incurred for an indigent from the county where that
21 indigent is a resident. The county of residency shall reimburse
22 the county or county hospital district for the reasonable and
23 necessary costs of care for such an indigent within 60 days after
24 the date of the request.

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