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CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

House

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1 Representative R. Garcia offered the following:

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3 **Amendment**

4 Remove lines 737-775 and insert:

5 4. Providers must have a physical business location and a
6 functional landline business phone. The location shall be within
7 the state of Florida or no more than fifty miles from the
8 Florida state line. The agency may make exceptions for providers
9 of durable medical equipment or supplies not otherwise available
10 from other enrolled providers located within the state.

11 5. Physical business locations must be clearly identified
12 as a business that furnishes durable medical equipment or
13 medical supplies by signage which can be read from 20 feet away.
14 The location must be readily accessible to the public during
15 normal, scheduled, posted business hours and must operate no
16 less than five hours per day and no less than five days per

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17 week, with the exception of scheduled and posted holidays. The
18 location shall not be located within or at the same numbered
19 street address as another enrolled Medicaid durable medical
20 equipment or medical supply provider or as an enrolled Medicaid
21 pharmacy that is also enrolled as a durable medical equipment
22 provider. A licensed orthotist or prothetist that provides only
23 orthotic or prosthetic devices as a Medicaid durable medical
24 equipment provider is exempt from the provisions in this
25 paragraph.

26 6. Providers must maintain a stock of durable medical
27 equipment and medical supplies on site that is readily available
28 to meet the needs of the durable medical equipment business
29 location's customers.

30 7. Providers must provide a surety bond of \$50,000 for each
31 provider location, up to a maximum of five bonds statewide or an
32 aggregate bond of \$250,000 statewide, as identified by Federal
33 Employer Identification Number. Providers who post a statewide
34 or an aggregate bond must identify all of their locations in any
35 Medicaid durable medical equipment and medical supply provider
36 enrollment application or bond renewal. Each provider location's
37 surety bond must be renewed annually, and the provider must
38 submit proof of renewal even if the original bond is a
39 continuous bond. A licensed orthotist or prothetist that
40 provides only orthotic or prosthetic devices as a Medicaid
41 durable medical equipment provider is exempt from the provisions
42 in this paragraph.

43 8. Providers must obtain a level 2 background screening,
44 as provided under s. 435.04, for each provider employee in

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45 direct contact with or providing direct services to recipients
46 of durable medical equipment and medical supplies in their
47 homes. This requirement includes, but is not limited to, repair
48 and service technicians, fitters, and delivery staff. The cost
49 of the background screening shall be borne by the provider.

50 9. The following providers are exempt from the