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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate

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Senator Aronberg moved the following:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

Between lines 1866 and 1867

insert:

Section 32. Subsections (1) and (3) of section 430.80, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

430.80 Implementation of a teaching nursing home pilot project.—

(1) As used in this section, the term "teaching nursing home" means a nursing home facility licensed under chapter 400 which contains a minimum of 275 ~~400~~ licensed nursing home beds; has access to a resident senior population of sufficient size to



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13 support education, training, and research relating to geriatric  
14 care; and has a contractual relationship with a federally funded  
15 accredited geriatric research center in this state or operates  
16 in its own right a geriatric research center.

17 (3) To be designated as a teaching nursing home, a nursing  
18 home licensee must, at a minimum:

19 (a) Provide a comprehensive program of integrated senior  
20 services that include institutional services and community-based  
21 services;

22 (b) Participate in a nationally recognized accreditation  
23 program and hold a valid accreditation, such as the  
24 accreditation awarded by the Joint Commission on Accreditation  
25 of Healthcare Organizations, or possess a Gold Seal Award as  
26 conferred by the Agency for Health Care Administration on its  
27 licensed nursing home;

28 (c) Have been in business in this state for a minimum of 10  
29 consecutive years;

30 (d) Demonstrate an active program in multidisciplinary  
31 education and research that relates to gerontology;

32 (e) Have a formalized contractual relationship with at  
33 least one accredited health profession education program located  
34 in this state;

35 ~~(f) Have a formalized contractual relationship with an~~  
36 ~~accredited hospital that is designated by law as a teaching~~  
37 ~~hospital; and~~

38 (f) (g) Have senior staff members who hold formal faculty  
39 appointments at universities, which must include at least one  
40 accredited health profession education program; and.

41 (g) (h) Maintain insurance coverage pursuant to s.



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42 400.141(20) or proof of financial responsibility in a minimum  
43 amount of \$750,000. Such proof of financial responsibility may  
44 include:

45 1. Maintaining an escrow account consisting of cash or  
46 assets eligible for deposit in accordance with s. 625.52; or

47 2. Obtaining and maintaining pursuant to chapter 675 an  
48 unexpired, irrevocable, nontransferable and nonassignable letter  
49 of credit issued by any bank or savings association organized  
50 and existing under the laws of this state or any bank or savings  
51 association organized under the laws of the United States that  
52 has its principal place of business in this state or has a  
53 branch office which is authorized to receive deposits in this  
54 state. The letter of credit shall be used to satisfy the  
55 obligation of the facility to the claimant upon presentment of a  
56 final judgment indicating liability and awarding damages to be  
57 paid by the facility or upon presentment of a settlement  
58 agreement signed by all parties to the agreement when such final  
59 judgment or settlement is a result of a liability claim against  
60 the facility.

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62 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

63 And the title is amended as follows:

64 Delete line 189

65 and insert:

66 travel expenses for members of the council; amending s. 430.80,  
67 F.S.; redefining the term "teaching nursing home" as it relates  
68 to the implementation of a teaching nursing home pilot project;  
69 revising the requirements to be designated as a teaching nursing  
70 home; amending