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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to crisis stabilization units;
3 amending s. 394.875, F.S.; increasing the number of
4 client beds a crisis stabilization unit is authorized
5 to provide; providing an effective date.
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7 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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9 Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section
10 394.875, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

11 394.875 Crisis stabilization units, residential treatment
12 facilities, and residential treatment centers for children and
13 adolescents; authorized services; license required.—

14 (1) (a) The purpose of a crisis stabilization unit is to
15 stabilize and redirect a client to the most appropriate and
16 least restrictive community setting available, consistent with
17 the client's needs. Crisis stabilization units may screen,
18 assess, and admit for stabilization persons who present
19 themselves to the unit and persons who are brought to the unit
20 under s. 394.463. Clients may be provided 24-hour observation,
21 medication prescribed by a physician or psychiatrist, and other
22 appropriate services. Crisis stabilization units shall provide
23 services regardless of the client's ability to pay and shall be
24 limited in size to a maximum of 50 ~~30~~ beds.

25 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2011.