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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Committee on Budget (Richter) recommended the following:

1           **Senate Substitute for Amendment (347688) (with title**  
2 **amendment)**

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5           Between lines 3593 and 3594  
6 insert:

7           Section 90. Paragraph (h) of subsection (3) of section  
8 456.053, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

9           456.053 Financial arrangements between referring health  
10 care providers and providers of health care services.—

11           (3) DEFINITIONS.—For the purpose of this section, the word,  
12 phrase, or term:

13           (h) "Group practice" means a group of two or more health



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14 care providers legally organized as a partnership, professional  
15 corporation, or similar association:

16 1. In which each health care provider who is a member of  
17 the group provides substantially the full range of services  
18 which the health care provider routinely provides, including  
19 medical care, consultation, diagnosis, or treatment, through the  
20 joint use of shared office space, facilities, equipment, and  
21 personnel;

22 2. For which substantially all of the services of the  
23 health care providers who are members of the group are provided  
24 through the group and are billed in the name of the group and  
25 amounts so received are treated as receipts of the group; and

26 3. In which the overhead expenses of and the income from  
27 the practice are distributed in accordance with methods  
28 previously determined by members of the group; and-

29 4. In which a group that provides radiation therapy  
30 services, including the full range of radiation therapy  
31 services, such that no single type of cancer, as a primary or  
32 secondary diagnosis and as described by the International  
33 Statistical Classification of Diseases, constitutes 40 percent  
34 or more of the group's cases for professional and technical  
35 radiation therapy services, and the health care providers within  
36 the group who refer patients for radiation therapy services do  
37 not own 50 percent or more of the group practice. As used in  
38 this subparagraph, the term "case" means an individual patient's  
39 radiation treatment course.

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

42 And the title is amended as follows:



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43           Delete line 309  
44   and insert:  
45           applicants; amending s. 456.053, F.S.; redefining the  
46           term "group practice" for certain groups that provide  
47           radiation therapy services; amending s. 483.035, F.S.;  
48           providing for a  
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