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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Committee on Budget (Flores) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 846 and 847

insert:

Section 20. Paragraph (d) of subsection (2) of section 395.4025, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

395.4025 Trauma centers; selection; quality assurance; records.—

(2)

(d)1. Notwithstanding other provisions in this section, the department may grant up to an additional 18 months to a hospital applicant that is unable to meet all requirements as provided in paragraph (c) at the time of application if the number of



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14 applicants in the service area in which the applicant is located
15 is equal to or less than the service area allocation, as
16 provided by rule of the department. An applicant that is granted
17 additional time pursuant to this paragraph shall submit a plan
18 for departmental approval which includes timelines and
19 activities that the applicant proposes to complete in order to
20 meet application requirements. Any applicant that demonstrates
21 an ongoing effort to complete the activities within the
22 timelines outlined in the plan shall be included in the number
23 of trauma centers at such time that the department has conducted
24 a provisional review of the application and has determined that
25 the application is complete and that the hospital has the
26 critical elements required for a trauma center. If construction
27 related to a critical element is delayed as a result of
28 governmental action or inaction with respect to regulations or
29 permitting, and a hospital applicant has demonstrated that it
30 has made a good faith effort to comply with the applicable
31 regulations or obtain the required permits, the department shall
32 grant a hospital applicant that has received an additional 18
33 months pursuant to this paragraph up to two additional 6-month
34 extensions to meet all requirements as provided in paragraph
35 (c).

36 2. Timeframes provided in subsections (1)-(8) shall be
37 stayed until the department determines that the application is
38 complete and that the hospital has the critical elements
39 required for a trauma center.

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 59
44 and insert:
45 designations; amending s. 395.4025, F.S.; requiring
46 the Department of Health to grant additional time to a
47 hospital applicant to meet requirements for applying
48 for designation as a trauma center under certain
49 circumstances; amending s. 395.602, F.S.; revising the