

## LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate House

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The Committee on Budget Subcommittee on Health and Human Services Appropriations (Garcia) recommended the following:

## Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 673 and 674

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Section 17. Subsection (15) is added to section 395.4025, Florida Statutes, to read:

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

(15) A public teaching hospital that operates facilities on separate premises under a single license and that has a level 1 trauma center on one of the premises is exempt from the requirements of subsection (2) and a separate application is not 13

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required for the initiation of trauma services at another facility included on the single license, subject to the following:

- (a) The hospital must certify to the agency that it will meet and continuously maintain the critical elements required for a trauma center, including, but not limited to:
- 1. The equipment and physical facilities necessary to provide trauma services;
- 2. The personnel in sufficient numbers and having proper qualifications to provide trauma services; and
  - 3. An effective quality assurance process.
- (b) The hospital must provide documentation to the agency of the manner in which it will extend its existing trauma services to the additional hospital facility listed on the single hospital license.
- (c) The hospital must provide further documentation to the agency that demonstrates there were at least 350 trauma cases within a 5-mile radius of the location of the facility for which the exemption is claimed during the most recent 12-month period for which data is available, by the zip code of:
- 1. The patient's residence as reported by the agency hospital patient database; or
- 2. Where the incident occurred, as reported by the emergency medical services provider.

======== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T ========= And the title is amended as follows:

Delete line 76

and insert:

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the Agency for Health Care Administration; amending s. 395.4025, F.S.; providing an exemption for certain public teaching hospitals operating multiple facilities on separate premises under a single license from the requirement for a separate application for recognition as a trauma center by the Agency for Health Care Administration; amending s.