

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to the Program of All-inclusive Care
 3 for the Elderly (PACE); requiring the Agency for
 4 Health Care Administration to contract with a certain
 5 organization to provide PACE services in Duval, St.
 6 Johns, Baker, and Nassau Counties; requiring the
 7 agency to contract with a certain not-for-profit
 8 corporation to provide PACE services in Alachua and
 9 Clay Counties; authorizing the agency to contract with
 10 a certain organization to provide PACE services in
 11 Hernando and Pasco counties; providing an exemption
 12 from ch. 641, F.S., for an organization or the not-
 13 for-profit corporation providing PACE services in
 14 counties specified in the act; authorizing, subject to
 15 appropriation, enrollment slots for the program in
 16 such counties; prohibiting the agency from issuing
 17 additional PACE contracts under certain circumstances;
 18 requiring PACE projects approved after a specified
 19 date to be subject to certain rate-setting and
 20 encounter data submission requirements; providing an
 21 effective date.

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 23 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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 25 Section 1. Notwithstanding s. 430.707, Florida Statutes,
 26 and subject to federal approval of the application to be a site
 27 for the Program of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE),
 28 the Agency for Health Care Administration shall contract with a

29 | not-for-profit organization that has been jointly formed by a
30 | lead agency that has been designated pursuant to s. 430.205,
31 | Florida Statutes, and that is licensed as a nursing home
32 | diversion program provider, and by a not-for-profit hospice
33 | provider that has been licensed for more than 30 years to serve
34 | individuals and families in Duval, St. Johns, Baker, and Nassau
35 | Counties. The not-for-profit organization shall leverage
36 | existing community-based care providers and health care
37 | organizations to provide PACE services to frail elders who
38 | reside in Duval, St. Johns, Baker, and Nassau Counties. The
39 | organization is exempt from the requirements of chapter 641,
40 | Florida Statutes. The agency, in consultation with the
41 | Department of Elderly Affairs, and subject to an appropriation,
42 | shall approve up to 300 initial enrollees in the PACE
43 | established by this organization to serve frail elders who
44 | reside in Duval, St. Johns, Baker, and Nassau Counties.

45 | Section 2. Notwithstanding s. 430.707, Florida Statutes,
46 | and subject to federal approval of the application to be a site
47 | for the Program of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE),
48 | the Agency for Health Care Administration shall contract with
49 | one not-for-profit corporation with more than 30 years'
50 | experience as a licensed hospice provider and currently licensed
51 | as a hospice provider to serve individuals and families in
52 | Alachua and Clay Counties. This not-for-profit corporation shall
53 | provide PACE services to frail elders who reside in Alachua and
54 | Clay counties. The organization shall be exempt from the
55 | requirements of chapter 641, Florida Statutes. The agency in
56 | consultation with the Department of Elderly Affairs and subject

57 to an appropriation, shall approve up to 300 initial enrollees
58 in the Program of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly established
59 by this organization to serve frail elders who reside in Alachua
60 and Clay counties.

61 Section 3. Notwithstanding s. 430.707, Florida Statutes,
62 and subject to federal approval of the application to be a site
63 for the Program of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE),
64 the Agency for Health Care Administration shall contract with
65 one not-for-profit organization that has more than 25 years'
66 experience as a licensed hospice and is currently a licensed
67 hospice serving individuals and families in Hernando and Pasco
68 Counties. This not-for-profit organization shall provide PACE
69 services to frail elders who reside in Hernando and Pasco
70 Counties. The organization shall be exempt from the requirements
71 of chapter 641, Florida Statutes. The agency, in consultation
72 with the Department of Elderly Affairs and subject to an
73 appropriation, shall approve up to 150 initial enrollees in the
74 Program of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly established by
75 this organization to serve frail elders who reside in Hernando
76 and Pasco Counties.

77 Section 4. The Agency for Health Care Administration may
78 not issue additional contracts for the Program of All-inclusive
79 Care for the Elderly (PACE) projects until the statewide managed
80 long-term care program is re-procured or October 1, 2018,
81 whichever occurs first.

82 Section 5. Each Program of All-inclusive Care for the
83 Elderly (PACE) project approved after July 1, 2013, is subject
84 to the rate-setting and encounter data submission requirements

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85 | of s. 409.983(3) and (4), Florida Statutes, and the enrollment
86 | requirements of s. 409.979, Florida Statutes, notwithstanding
87 | paragraph (1)(a) of that section.

88 | Section 6. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013.