

1                   A bill to be entitled  
 2           An act relating to the Program of All-inclusive Care  
 3           for the Elderly; requiring the Agency for Health Care  
 4           Administration to contract with a certain organization  
 5           to provide services under the federal Program of All-  
 6           inclusive Care for the Elderly in Duval, St. Johns,  
 7           Baker, and Nassau Counties; providing an exemption  
 8           from ch. 641, F.S., for the organization; requiring  
 9           the organization, subject to an appropriation, to  
 10          enroll a specified number of persons to participate in  
 11          the program in the specified counties; providing an  
 12          effective date.

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

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 16           Section 1. Notwithstanding s. 430.707, Florida Statutes,  
 17 and subject to federal approval of the application to be a site  
 18 for the Program of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE)  
 19 program, the Agency for Health Care Administration shall  
 20 contract with a not-for-profit organization that has been  
 21 jointly formed by a lead agency that has been designated  
 22 pursuant to s. 430.205, Florida Statutes, and that is licensed  
 23 as a nursing home diversion program provider, and by a not-for-  
 24 profit hospice provider that has been licensed for more than 30  
 25 years to serve individuals and families in Duval, St. Johns,  
 26 Baker, and Nassau Counties. The not-for-profit organization  
 27 shall leverage existing community-based care providers and  
 28 health care organizations to provide PACE services to frail

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29 elders who reside in Duval, St. Johns, Baker, and Nassau  
30 Counties. The organization is exempt from the requirements of  
31 chapter 641, Florida Statutes. The agency, in consultation with  
32 the Department of Elderly Affairs, and subject to an  
33 appropriation, shall approve up to 300 initial enrollees in the  
34 PACE program established by this organization to serve frail  
35 elders who reside in Duval, St. Johns, Baker, and Nassau  
36 Counties.

37 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013.