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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Committee on Health Policy (Bean) recommended the following:

1           **Senate Substitute for Amendment (604616) (with title**  
2 **amendment)**

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4           Delete everything after the enacting clause  
5 and insert:

6           Section 1. Section 383.336, Florida Statutes, is repealed.

7           Section 2. Section 395.1051, Florida Statutes, is amended  
8 to read:

9           395.1051 Duty to notify patients and obstetrical  
10 physicians.—

11           (1) An appropriately trained person designated by each



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12 licensed facility shall inform each patient, or an individual  
13 identified pursuant to s. 765.401(1), in person about adverse  
14 incidents that result in serious harm to the patient.  
15 Notification of outcomes of care which ~~that~~ result in harm to  
16 the patient under this section does ~~shall~~ not constitute an  
17 acknowledgment or admission of liability and may not, ~~nor can it~~  
18 be introduced as evidence.

19 (2) A hospital shall notify each obstetrical physician who  
20 has privileges at the hospital at least 120 days before the  
21 hospital closes its obstetrical department or ceases to provide  
22 obstetrical services, unless the hospital can demonstrate it was  
23 impossible for the hospital to provide 120 days' notice due to  
24 circumstances beyond the control of the hospital or the  
25 obstetrical physician. If a hospital is unable to provide 120  
26 days' notice, the hospital must provide notice as soon as  
27 practicable.

28 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2014.

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

31 And the title is amended as follows:

32 Delete everything before the enacting clause  
33 and insert:

34 A bill to be entitled  
35 An act relating to obstetrical services at hospitals;  
36 repealing s. 383.336, F.S., relating to provider  
37 hospitals; amending s. 395.1051, F.S.; requiring a  
38 hospital to notify obstetrical physicians before the  
39 hospital closes its obstetrical department or ceases  
40 to provide obstetrical services; providing an



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effective date.