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1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to home health agencies; amending s.
 3 400.474, F.S.; revising the information that a home
 4 health agency is required to submit to the Agency for
 5 Health Care Administration for license renewal;
 6 removing the requirement that a home health agency
 7 submit quarterly reports; providing an effective date.

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

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 11 Section 1. Subsection (7) of section 400.474, Florida
 12 Statutes, is amended to read:

13 400.474 Administrative penalties.—

14 (7) A home health agency shall submit to the agency, with
 15 each license renewal application, the number of patients who
 16 receive home health services from the home health agency on the
 17 day that the license renewal application is filed, ~~within 15~~
 18 ~~days after the end of each calendar quarter, a written report~~
 19 ~~that includes the following data as they existed on the last day~~
 20 ~~of the quarter:~~

21 ~~(a) The number of insulin dependent diabetic patients who~~
 22 ~~receive insulin injection services from the home health agency.~~

23 ~~(b) The number of patients who receive both home health~~
 24 ~~services from the home health agency and hospice services.~~

25 ~~(c) The number of patients who receive home health services~~
 26 ~~from the home health agency.~~

27 ~~(d) The name and license number of each nurse whose primary~~
 28 ~~job responsibility is to provide home health services to~~
 29 ~~patients and who received remuneration from the home health~~

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30 ~~agency in excess of \$25,000 during the calendar quarter.~~

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32 ~~If the home health agency fails to submit the written quarterly~~
33 ~~report within 15 days after the end of each calendar quarter,~~
34 ~~the Agency for Health Care Administration shall impose a fine~~
35 ~~against the home health agency in the amount of \$200 per day~~
36 ~~until the Agency for Health Care Administration receives the~~
37 ~~report, except that the total fine imposed pursuant to this~~
38 ~~subsection may not exceed \$5,000 per quarter. A home health~~
39 ~~agency is exempt from submission of the report and the~~
40 ~~imposition of the fine if it is not a Medicaid or Medicare~~
41 ~~provider or if it does not share a controlling interest with a~~
42 ~~licensee, as defined in s. 408.803, which bills the Florida~~
43 ~~Medicaid program or the Medicare program.~~

44 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015.