

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to responsibilities of health care
 3 facilities; repealing s. 383.336, F.S., relating to
 4 practice parameters for physicians performing
 5 caesarean section deliveries in provider hospitals;
 6 amending s. 395.1051, F.S.; requiring a hospital to
 7 notify obstetrical physicians before the hospital
 8 closes its obstetrical department or ceases to provide
 9 obstetrical services; providing for construction of
 10 the act in pari materia with laws enacted during the
 11 2015 Regular Session of the Legislature; 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. Section 383.336, Florida Statutes, is repealed.

17 Section 2. Section 395.1051, Florida Statutes, is amended
 18 to read:

19 395.1051 Duty to notify patients and physicians.—

20 (1) An appropriately trained person designated by each
 21 licensed facility shall inform each patient, or an individual
 22 identified pursuant to s. 765.401(1), in person about adverse
 23 incidents that result in serious harm to the patient.

24 Notification of outcomes of care which ~~that~~ result in harm to
 25 the patient under this section does ~~shall~~ not constitute an
 26 acknowledgment or admission of liability and may not, ~~nor can it~~

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27 | be introduced as evidence.

28 | (2) A hospital shall notify each obstetrical physician who
29 | has privileges at the hospital at least 120 days before the
30 | hospital closes its obstetrical department or ceases to provide
31 | obstetrical services.

32 | Section 3. If any law amended by this act was also amended
33 | by a law enacted during the 2015 Regular Session of the
34 | Legislature, such laws shall be construed as if enacted during
35 | the same session of the Legislature, and full effect shall be
36 | given to each if possible.

37 | Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015.