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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate	.	House
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02/24/2016	.	
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Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services
(Grimsley) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause
and insert:

Section 1. Section 395.6025, Florida Statutes, is amended
to read:

395.6025 Rural hospital replacement facilities.-

Notwithstanding ~~the provisions of~~ s. 408.036, a hospital defined
as a statutory rural hospital in accordance with s. 395.602, or
an ~~a not-for-profit~~ operator of rural hospitals, is not required



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11 to obtain a certificate of need for the construction of a
12 replacement ~~new~~ hospital located in a county with a population
13 ~~of at least 15,000 but no more than 18,000 and a density of less~~
14 ~~than 100~~ ³⁰ persons per square mile, ~~or a replacement facility,~~
15 provided that the replacement, ~~or new,~~ facility is not located
16 within 15 ~~10~~ miles of the site of a ~~the~~ currently licensed ~~rural~~
17 hospital in an adjacent county and within the current primary
18 ~~service area. As used in this section, the term "service area"~~
19 ~~means the fewest number of zip codes that account for 75 percent~~
20 ~~of the hospital's discharges for the most recent 5-year period,~~
21 ~~based on information available from the hospital inpatient~~
22 ~~discharge database in the Florida Center for Health Information~~
23 ~~and Policy Analysis at the Agency for Health Care~~
24 ~~Administration.~~

25 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016.

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

28 And the title is amended as follows:

29 Delete everything before the enacting clause
30 and insert:

31 A bill to be entitled

32 An act relating to certificates of need for rural
33 hospitals; amending s. 395.6025, F.S.; revising the
34 criteria for exempting a rural hospital or the
35 operator of rural hospitals from the requirement to
36 obtain a certificate of need for the construction of a
37 replacement facility; providing an effective date.