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CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

House

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1 Representative Jones, M. offered the following:

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3 **Amendment (with title amendment)**

4 Remove lines 222-241 and insert:

5 (2) The Telehealth Advisory Board is created within the
6 Agency for Health Care Administration for the purpose of making
7 recommendations based on the surveys and research findings
8 required by this section. The agency shall use existing and
9 available resources to administer and support the activities of
10 the advisory board under this section.

11 (a) Members of the board shall serve without compensation
12 and are not entitled to reimbursement for per diem or travel
13 expenses. The board shall consist of 13 members, as follows:

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14 1. The Secretary of Health Care Administration, or his or
15 her designee, who shall serve as the chair of the board.

16 2. The State Surgeon General or his or his designee.

17 3. The following members appointed by the Secretary of
18 Health Care Administration:

19 a. Two representatives of health insurers that offer
20 coverage for telehealth services.

21 b. Two representatives of organizations that represent
22 health care facilities.

23 c. Two representatives of entities that create or sell
24 telehealth products.

25 d. One representative of an organization that represents
26 telehealth stakeholders.

27 4. The following members appointed by the State Surgeon
28 General:

29 a. Two health care practitioners, each of whom practices
30 in a different area of medicine.

31 b. Two representatives of organizations that represent
32 health care practitioners.

33 (b) The board shall review the surveys and research
34 findings required by this section and make recommendations to
35 increase the use and accessibility of services provided via
36 telehealth, including the identification of any barriers to
37 implementing or accessing services provided via telehealth.

38 (3) The Agency for Health Care Administration shall
39 compile the surveys and research findings required by this

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40 section, along with the recommendations of the Telehealth
41 Advisory Board, and submit a report of such findings to the
42 Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the
43 House of Representatives by June 30, 2018.

44 (4) The Department of Health shall survey all health care
45 practitioners, as defined under s. 456.001, Florida Statutes,
46 upon and as a condition of licensure renewal to compile the
47 information required pursuant to this section. The Department of
48 Health and the Office of Insurance Regulation shall submit their
49 survey and research findings to the agency and shall assist the
50 agency in compiling the information to prepare the report.

51 (5) The Agency for Health Care Administration, the
52 Department of Health, and the Office of Insurance Regulation may
53 assess fines under ss. 408.813(2)(d), 456.072(2)(d), and
54 624.310(5), Florida Statutes, respectively, against a health
55 care facility, health maintenance organization, health care
56 practitioner, and health insurer for failure to complete the
57 surveys required under this section.

58 (6) This section expires July 1, 2018.

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62 Remove line 20 and insert:

63 Regulation to collect certain information; creating the
64 Telehealth Advisory Board within the agency for specified

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65 purposes; providing membership requirements; requiring the board
66 to review certain findings and make recommendations; requiring

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