

1                                   A bill to be entitled  
 2           An act relating to prisoner medical services; creating  
 3           s. 951.0325, F.S.; providing definitions; limiting the  
 4           compensation of health care providers that do not have  
 5           contracts with the county or municipality operating a  
 6           detention facility to provide prisoner medical  
 7           services; limiting compensation to entities that  
 8           provide emergency medical transportation services for  
 9           prisoners if those entities do not have a contract  
 10          with the county or municipality operating a detention  
 11          facility; providing an effective date.

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 13 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:  
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15           Section 1. Section 951.0325, Florida Statutes, is created  
 16 to read:

17           951.0325 Prisoner medical services.-

18           (1) As used in this section, the term:

19           (a) "Emergency medical transportation services" includes,  
 20 but is not limited to, services rendered by ambulances,  
 21 emergency medical services vehicles, and air ambulances as those  
 22 terms are defined in s. 401.23.

23           (b) "Health care provider" has the same meaning as  
 24 provided in s. 766.105.

25           (2) Compensation to a health care provider to provide

26 | prisoner medical services may not exceed 110 percent of the  
27 | Medicare allowable rate if the health care provider does not  
28 | have a contract with the county or municipality operating the  
29 | county or municipal detention facility that houses the prisoner  
30 | to provide such services. However, compensation to a health care  
31 | provider may not exceed 125 percent of the Medicare allowable  
32 | rate if:

33 |     (a) The health care provider does not have a contract to  
34 | provide medical services with the county or municipality which  
35 | houses the prisoner; and

36 |     (b) The health care provider reported a negative operating  
37 | margin for the previous year to the Agency for Health Care  
38 | Administration through hospital-audited financial data.

39 |     (3) Compensation to an entity to provide emergency medical  
40 | transportation services for a prisoner may not exceed 110  
41 | percent of the Medicare allowable rate if the entity does not  
42 | have a contract with the county or municipality operating the  
43 | county or municipal detention facility housing the prisoner to  
44 | provide such services.

45 |     (4) This section does not apply to charges for medical  
46 | services provided at a hospital operated by the county or  
47 | municipality.

48 |     Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2017.