

Amendment No.

CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

House

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Representative Brodeur offered the following:

Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 554 and 555, insert:

Section 4. Section 110.1228, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

110.1228 Participation by small counties, small municipalities, ~~and~~ district school boards, and water management districts located in small counties.-

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

(a) "District school board" means a district school board located in a small county or a district school board that

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14 receives funding pursuant to s. 1011.62(7).

15 (b) "Small municipality" means an incorporated
16 municipality that has a population of 12,500 or fewer according
17 to the most recent decennial census.

18 (c) "Small county" means a county that has a population of
19 100,000 or fewer according to the most recent decennial census.

20 (d) "Water management district" has the same meaning as in
21 s. 373.019.

22 (2) The governing body of a small county, ~~or~~ small
23 municipality, ~~or a~~ district school board, or water management
24 district may apply for participation in the state group health
25 insurance program authorized in s. 110.123 and the prescription
26 drug coverage program authorized by s. 110.12315 by submitting
27 an application along with a \$500 nonrefundable fee to the
28 department.

29 (3) Any costs or savings to the state group health
30 insurance program or the prescription drug coverage program
31 resulting from such participation shall be passed on to the
32 local government and water management district participants and
33 their employees. Such costs or savings shall be delineated based
34 on the impact to the state, state officers and employees, ~~and~~
35 local government employers and their employees, and water
36 management districts and their employees.

37 (4) As a prerequisite to the adoption of an ordinance or
38 resolution or the affirmative vote of a governing board, for

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39 participation in the state group health insurance program and
40 prescription drug coverage program, a small county, small
41 municipality, ~~or~~ district school board, or water management
42 district shall issue a request for proposals to provide health
43 insurance and prescription drug coverage. Such request for
44 proposals shall seek coverages equivalent to those offered
45 currently by the small county, small municipality, ~~or~~ district
46 school board, or water management district and coverages
47 equivalent to the state group health insurance program and
48 prescription drug coverage program. Such request for proposals
49 must provide an opportunity for the receipt of competitive
50 proposals from all interested parties without restriction. The
51 small county, small municipality, ~~and~~ district school board, and
52 water management district shall review and consider all
53 responsive proposals prior to the adoption of any ordinance or
54 resolution or the affirmative vote of any governing board for
55 participation in the state group health insurance program and
56 prescription drug coverage program.

57 (5) If the department determines that a small county,
58 small municipality, ~~or~~ district school board, or water
59 management district is eligible to enroll, the small county,
60 small municipality, ~~or~~ district school board, or water
61 management district must agree to the following terms and
62 conditions:

63 (a) The minimum enrollment or contractual period will be 3

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64 years.

65 (b) The small county, small municipality, ~~or~~ district
66 school board, or water management district must pay to the
67 department an initial administrative fee of not less than \$2.61
68 per enrollee per month, or such other amount established
69 annually to fully reimburse the department for its costs.

70 (c) Termination of participation of a small county, small
71 municipality, ~~or~~ district school board, or water management
72 district requires written notice 1 year before the termination
73 date.

74 (d) If participation is terminated, a small county, small
75 municipality, ~~or~~ district school board, or water management
76 district may not reapply for participation for a period of 2
77 years.

78 (e) Small counties, small municipalities, ~~and~~ district
79 school boards, and water management districts shall reimburse
80 the state for 100 percent of its costs, including administrative
81 costs.

82 (f) If a small county, small municipality, ~~or~~ district
83 school board employer, or water management district fails to
84 make the payments required by this section to fully reimburse
85 the state, the Department of Revenue or the Department of
86 Financial Services shall, upon the request of the Department of
87 Management Services, deduct the amount owed by the employer from
88 any funds not pledged to bond debt service satisfaction that are

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89 to be distributed by it to the small county, small municipality,
90 ~~or~~ district school board, or water management district. The
91 amounts so deducted shall be transferred to the Department of
92 Management Services for further distribution to the trust funds
93 in accordance with this chapter.

94 (g) The small county, small municipality, ~~or~~ district
95 school board, or water management district shall furnish the
96 department any information requested by the department which the
97 department considers necessary to administer the state group
98 health insurance program and the prescription drug coverage
99 program.

100 (h) The small county, small municipality, ~~or~~ district
101 school board, or water management district shall adopt the
102 state's eligibility rules.

103 (i) The small county, small municipality, ~~or~~ district
104 school board, or water management district may not participate
105 in the state's cafeteria plan that allows for pretax treatment
106 of premium contributions. If pretax treatment is desirable for
107 employees of these participating employers, each employee of a
108 participating employer shall execute a salary reduction
109 agreement with that employer, and each participating employer
110 shall establish its own cafeteria plan.

111 (j) The small county, small municipality, ~~or~~ district
112 school board, or water management district shall pay monthly
113 premiums in amounts sufficient to cover claims costs, department

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114 administrative costs, and third-party administrative costs and
 115 provide for adequate reserves and cash flow by contributing 3
 116 months' premiums and costs in advance of the coverage effective
 117 date. The premiums shall be established by an actuarial analysis
 118 conducted by the Department of Management Services considering
 119 the requesting party a distinct health insurance risk pool. Such
 120 analysis shall be paid for by the participating small county,
 121 small municipality, county school district, or water management
 122 district.

123 (6) Sections ~~The provisions of ss. 624.436-624.446~~ do not
 124 apply to the State Group Insurance Program or to this section.

125 Section 5. Section 373.605, Florida Statutes, is amended
 126 to read:

127 373.605 Group insurance for water management districts.—
 128 The governing board of a water management district may provide
 129 group insurance for its employees, and the employees of another
 130 water management district, in the same manner and with the same
 131 provisions and limitations authorized for other public employees
 132 under ss. 112.08, 112.09, 112.10, 112.11, and 112.14.

133 Alternatively, a water management district, after an affirmative
 134 vote of its governing board, may participate in the state group
 135 health insurance program and the prescription drug coverage
 136 program under s. 110.1228.

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

Between lines 28 and 29, insert:
amending s. 110.1228, F.S.; providing a definition;
expanding eligibility for participation in the state group
health insurance program and the prescription drug coverage
program to include water management districts; conforming
provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 373.605,
F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act;

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