

By Senator Grimsley

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1                   A bill to be entitled  
2       An act relating to adult cardiovascular services;  
3       amending s. 408.0361, F.S.; establishing criteria that  
4       must be included by the Agency for Health Care  
5       Administration in rules relating to the licensure of  
6       certain hospitals performing percutaneous coronary  
7       intervention procedures; providing an effective date.  
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9   Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:  
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11       Section 1. Paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (3) of  
12       section 408.0361, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

13       408.0361 Cardiovascular services and burn unit licensure.—

14       (3) In establishing rules for adult cardiovascular  
15       services, the agency shall include provisions that allow for:

16       (a) Establishment of two hospital program licensure levels:  
17       a Level I program authorizing the performance of adult  
18       percutaneous coronary ~~cardiac~~ intervention without onsite  
19       cardiac surgery and a Level II program authorizing the  
20       performance of percutaneous coronary ~~cardiac~~ intervention with  
21       onsite cardiac surgery.

22       (b) For a hospital seeking a Level I program, demonstration  
23       that, for the most recent 12-month period as reported to the  
24       agency, it has provided a minimum of 300 adult inpatient and  
25       outpatient diagnostic cardiac catheterizations or, for the most  
26       recent 12-month period, has discharged or transferred at least  
27       300 inpatients with the principal diagnosis of ischemic heart  
28       disease and that it has a formalized, written transfer agreement  
29       with a hospital that has a Level II program, including written

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30 transport protocols to ensure safe and efficient transfer of a  
31 patient within 60 minutes. However, a hospital located more than  
32 100 road miles from the closest Level II adult cardiovascular  
33 services program does not need to meet the 60-minute transfer  
34 time protocol if the hospital demonstrates that it has a  
35 formalized, written transfer agreement with a hospital that has  
36 a Level II program. The agreement must include written transport  
37 protocols to ensure the safe and efficient transfer of a  
38 patient, taking into consideration the patient's clinical and  
39 physical characteristics, road and weather conditions, and  
40 viability of ground and air ambulance service to transfer the  
41 patient. At a minimum, the rules for adult cardiovascular  
42 services must require nursing and technical staff to have  
43 demonstrated experience in handling acutely ill patients  
44 requiring intervention based on the staff members' previous  
45 experience in dedicated cardiovascular interventional  
46 laboratories or surgical centers. If a staff member's previous  
47 experience is in a dedicated cardiovascular interventional  
48 laboratory at a hospital that does not have an approved adult  
49 open-heart surgery program, the staff member's previous  
50 experience qualifies only if, at the time the staff member  
51 acquired his or her experience, the dedicated cardiovascular  
52 interventional laboratory:

- 53 1. Had an annual volume of 500 or more percutaneous  
54 coronary intervention procedures;
- 55 2. Achieved a demonstrated success rate of 95 percent or  
56 greater for percutaneous coronary intervention procedures;
- 57 3. Experienced a complication rate of less than 5 percent  
58 for percutaneous coronary intervention procedures; and

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59           4. Performed diverse cardiac procedures, including, but not  
60 limited to, balloon angioplasty and stenting, rotational  
61 atherectomy, cutting balloon atheroma remodeling, and procedures  
62 relating to left ventricular support capability.

63           Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2018.