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 1                      A bill to be entitled
 2           An act relating to residential treatment center
 3           requirements; amending s. 409.1678, F.S.; eliminating
 4           certain requirements for residential treatment centers
 5           that provide services to commercially sexually
 6           exploited children; providing an effective date.
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 8   Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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10           Section 1.  Subsection (3) of section 409.1678, Florida
11   Statutes, is amended to read:
12           409.1678  Specialized residential options for children who
13   are victims of commercial sexual exploitation.—
14           (3)  SERVICES WITHIN A RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT CENTER OR
15   HOSPITAL.—Residential treatment centers licensed under s.
16   394.875, and hospitals licensed under chapter 395 that provide
17   residential mental health treatment, shall provide specialized
18   treatment for commercially sexually exploited children in the
19   custody of the department who are placed in these facilities
20   pursuant to s. 39.407(6), s. 394.4625, or s. 394.467.
21           (a)  The specialized treatment must meet the requirements
22   of subparagraphs (2)(c)1., 3., 6., and 7. (2)(c)1. and 3.-7.,
23   paragraph (2)(d), and the department's treatment standards
24   adopted pursuant to this section. However, a residential
25   treatment center or hospital may prioritize the delivery of
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26 certain services among those required under paragraph (2)(d) to
27 meet the specific treatment needs of the child.
28   (b) The facilities shall ensure that children are served
29 in single-sex groups and that staff working with such children
30 are adequately trained in the effects of trauma and sexual
31 exploitation, the needs of child victims of commercial sexual
32 exploitation, and how to address those needs using strength-
33 based and trauma-informed approaches.
34   Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2018.

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