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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate

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House

Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services
(Baxley) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete lines 108 - 172

and insert:

(a)1. PACE organizations shall enroll participants at the levels funded each fiscal year in the General Appropriations Act.

2. Each PACE organization shall annually submit information to the agency which reflects its reasonable capacity for growth to meet demonstrated community needs and which must be



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11 consistent with the pro forma or other projections submitted
12 pursuant to paragraph (3) (a) or other projections of PACE census
13 and demand growth. The agency, in consultation with the
14 department, shall submit a report to the Social Services
15 Estimating Conference summarizing such information.

16 3. The agency shall include in its legislative budget
17 request submitted pursuant to chapter 216 the amount of funding
18 estimated by the Social Services Estimating Conference needed to
19 fund demonstrated growth in community needs which is consistent
20 with PACE census and demand growth.

21 (b) Funds may be used within any PACE organization's
22 authorized geographic service area, regardless of county lines.

23 (c) The department shall notify individuals who are
24 determined to need the level of care required under the state
25 Medicaid plan for coverage of nursing facility services that the
26 PACE program is a service plan option and that enrollment in the
27 PACE program is voluntary.

28 (d) The agency shall notify individuals who are determined
29 eligible for managed long-term care that the PACE program is
30 available as a choice for a managed care plan pursuant to s.
31 409.969 in statewide Medicaid managed care regions wherein a
32 PACE organization operates.

33 (5) ACCOUNTABILITY.—All PACE organizations must meet
34 specific quality and performance standards established by the
35 CMS and the agency for the PACE program. The agency shall
36 oversee and monitor the PACE program and organizations based
37 upon data and reports PACE organizations submit periodically to
38 the agency and the CMS. A PACE organization is exempt from the
39 requirements of chapter 641.



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40 Section 2. Subsection (4) of section 409.981, Florida
41 Statutes, is amended to read:

42 409.981 Eligible long-term care plans.—

43 (4) PROGRAM OF ALL-INCLUSIVE CARE FOR THE ELDERLY.—

44 Participation by the Program of All-inclusive Care for the
45 Elderly (PACE) shall be pursuant to a contract with the agency
46 and not subject to the procurement requirements or regional plan
47 number limits of this section. PACE organizations shall ~~plans~~
48 ~~may continue to~~ provide services to participants ~~individuals~~ at
49 such levels ~~and enrollment caps~~ as authorized by the General
50 Appropriations Act pursuant to s. 430.84.

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

53 And the title is amended as follows:

54 Delete lines 16 - 39

55 and insert:

56 Government within a certain timeframe; requiring PACE
57 organizations to enroll participants at certain
58 levels; requiring PACE organizations to annually
59 submit certain information to the agency; requiring
60 the agency to submit a report to the Social Services
61 Estimating Conference; requiring the agency to include
62 certain information in its legislative budget request;
63 providing that funds may be used within any PACE
64 organization's authorized geographic service area;
65 requiring the department and the agency to provide
66 certain notices to certain individuals; requiring PACE
67 organizations to meet certain standards; requiring the
68 agency to oversee and monitor the PACE program based



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69 on certain information; exempting PACE organizations
70 from the requirements of ch. 641, F.S.; amending s.
71 409.981, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made
72 by the act; providing an effective date.