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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Committee on Rules (Calatayud) recommended the following:

Senate Substitute for Amendment (169294) (with title amendment)

Delete lines 128 - 143

and insert:

Section 4. Paragraph (i) of subsection (2) of section 394.463, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

394.463 Involuntary examination.—

(2) INVOLUNTARY EXAMINATION.—

(i) One of the following must occur within 12 hours after the patient's attending physician documents that the patient's



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medical condition has stabilized or that an emergency medical condition does not exist:

1. The patient must be examined by a facility and released;
or

2. The patient must be transferred to a designated facility in which appropriate medical treatment is available. However, the facility must be notified of the transfer within 2 hours after the patient's condition has been stabilized or after determination that an emergency medical condition does not exist. If a physician at the designated facility to which the patient was transferred examines the patient and documents that the patient still poses a threat to himself or herself or to others, the designated facility shall not release or be ordered by a court to release the patient based solely on a failure to meet either the 12 hour transfer requirement or 2 hour notice requirement of this section, unless the patient's 72-hour examination period has ended.

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

And the title is amended as follows:

Delete lines 12 - 17

and insert:

experience; amending s. 394.463, F.S.; providing that a designated facility that has received transfer of a patient outside a specified timeframe or that does not receive timely notification of transfer must not release such patient or be ordered by a court to release such patient under specified circumstances; amending s. 394.4655,