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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Committee on Health Policy (Rodriguez) recommended the following:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

Delete everything after the enacting clause  
and insert:

Section 1. Subsection (1) and paragraph (e) of subsection  
(2) of section 395.3011, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:  
395.3011 Billing and collection activities.—

(1) As used in this section, the term "extraordinary  
collection action" means any of the following actions taken by a  
licensed facility against an individual in relation to obtaining



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11 payment of a bill for care ~~covered under the facility's~~  
12 ~~financial assistance policy:~~

13 (a) Selling the individual's debt to another party.

14 (b) Reporting adverse information about the individual to  
15 consumer credit reporting agencies or credit bureaus.

16 (c) Deferring, denying, or requiring a payment before  
17 providing medically necessary care because of the individual's  
18 nonpayment of one or more bills for previously provided care  
19 covered under the facility's financial assistance policy.

20 (d) Actions that require a legal or judicial process,  
21 including, but not limited to:

22 1. Placing a lien on the individual's property;

23 2. Foreclosing on the individual's real property;

24 3. Attaching or seizing the individual's bank account or  
25 any other personal property;

26 4. Commencing a civil action against the individual;

27 5. Causing the individual's arrest; or

28 6. Garnishing the individual's wages.

29 (2) A facility may not engage in an extraordinary  
30 collection action against an individual to obtain payment for  
31 services:

32 (e) For 30 days after notifying the patient in writing, by  
33 certified mail, or by other traceable delivery method, that a  
34 collection action will commence absent additional action by the  
35 patient. However, a facility may engage in an extraordinary  
36 collection action without providing 30 days' notice if both of  
37 the following conditions are met:

38 1. The facility contracts to sell an individual's debt to  
39 another party, provided that the debt may not incur interest or



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40 fees and that no other extraordinary actions are taken, as  
41 described in subsection (1).

42 2. If the debt is later determined to qualify for charity  
43 care under the facility's financial assistance policy, such debt  
44 is returned to the licensed facility.

45 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2025.

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

48 And the title is amended as follows:

49 Delete everything before the enacting clause  
50 and insert:

51 A bill to be entitled  
52 An act relating to health care billing and collection  
53 activities; amending s. 395.3011, F.S.; revising the  
54 definition of the term "extraordinary collection  
55 action"; authorizing facilities to engage in an  
56 extraordinary collection action under certain  
57 circumstances; providing an effective date.