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Senate

House

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Representative Avila offered the following:

Amendment (with title amendment)

Remove everything after the enacting clause and insert:

Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 296.37, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

296.37 Residents; contribution to support.—

(1) Every resident of the home who receives a pension, compensation, or gratuity from the United States Government, or income from any other source of more than \$130 ~~\$105~~ per month, shall contribute to his or her maintenance and support while a resident of the home in accordance with a schedule of payment determined by the administrator and approved by the director.

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14 The total amount of such contributions shall be to the fullest
15 extent possible but shall not exceed the actual cost of
16 operating and maintaining the home.

17 Section 2. Notwithstanding the expiration date in section
18 51 of chapter 2020-114, Laws of Florida, paragraph (d) of
19 subsection (2) of section 400.179, Florida Statutes, is
20 reenacted to read:

21 400.179 Liability for Medicaid underpayments and
22 overpayments.—

23 (2) Because any transfer of a nursing facility may expose
24 the fact that Medicaid may have underpaid or overpaid the
25 transferor, and because in most instances, any such underpayment
26 or overpayment can only be determined following a formal field
27 audit, the liabilities for any such underpayments or
28 overpayments shall be as follows:

29 (d) Where the transfer involves a facility that has been
30 leased by the transferor:

31 1. The transferee shall, as a condition to being issued a
32 license by the agency, acquire, maintain, and provide proof to
33 the agency of a bond with a term of 30 months, renewable
34 annually, in an amount not less than the total of 3 months'
35 Medicaid payments to the facility computed on the basis of the
36 preceding 12-month average Medicaid payments to the facility.

37 2. A leasehold licensee may meet the requirements of
38 subparagraph 1. by payment of a nonrefundable fee, paid at

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39 initial licensure, paid at the time of any subsequent change of
40 ownership, and paid annually thereafter, in the amount of 1
41 percent of the total of 3 months' Medicaid payments to the
42 facility computed on the basis of the preceding 12-month average
43 Medicaid payments to the facility. If a preceding 12-month
44 average is not available, projected Medicaid payments may be
45 used. The fee shall be deposited into the Grants and Donations
46 Trust Fund and shall be accounted for separately as a Medicaid
47 nursing home overpayment account. These fees shall be used at
48 the sole discretion of the agency to repay nursing home Medicaid
49 overpayments or for enhanced payments to nursing facilities as
50 specified in the General Appropriations Act or other law.
51 Payment of this fee shall not release the licensee from any
52 liability for any Medicaid overpayments, nor shall payment bar
53 the agency from seeking to recoup overpayments from the licensee
54 and any other liable party. As a condition of exercising this
55 lease bond alternative, licensees paying this fee must maintain
56 an existing lease bond through the end of the 30-month term
57 period of that bond. The agency is herein granted specific
58 authority to promulgate all rules pertaining to the
59 administration and management of this account, including
60 withdrawals from the account, subject to federal review and
61 approval. This provision shall take effect upon becoming law and
62 shall apply to any leasehold license application. The financial
63 viability of the Medicaid nursing home overpayment account shall

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64 be determined by the agency through annual review of the account
65 balance and the amount of total outstanding, unpaid Medicaid
66 overpayments owing from leasehold licensees to the agency as
67 determined by final agency audits. By March 31 of each year, the
68 agency shall assess the cumulative fees collected under this
69 subparagraph, minus any amounts used to repay nursing home
70 Medicaid overpayments and amounts transferred to contribute to
71 the General Revenue Fund pursuant to s. 215.20. If the net
72 cumulative collections, minus amounts utilized to repay nursing
73 home Medicaid overpayments, exceed \$10 million, the provisions
74 of this subparagraph shall not apply for the subsequent fiscal
75 year.

76 3. The leasehold licensee may meet the bond requirement
77 through other arrangements acceptable to the agency. The agency
78 is herein granted specific authority to promulgate rules
79 pertaining to lease bond arrangements.

80 4. All existing nursing facility licensees, operating the
81 facility as a leasehold, shall acquire, maintain, and provide
82 proof to the agency of the 30-month bond required in
83 subparagraph 1., above, on and after July 1, 1993, for each
84 license renewal.

85 5. It shall be the responsibility of all nursing facility
86 operators, operating the facility as a leasehold, to renew the
87 30-month bond and to provide proof of such renewal to the agency
88 annually.

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89 6. Any failure of the nursing facility operator to
90 acquire, maintain, renew annually, or provide proof to the
91 agency shall be grounds for the agency to deny, revoke, and
92 suspend the facility license to operate such facility and to
93 take any further action, including, but not limited to,
94 enjoining the facility, asserting a moratorium pursuant to part
95 II of chapter 408, or applying for a receiver, deemed necessary
96 to ensure compliance with this section and to safeguard and
97 protect the health, safety, and welfare of the facility's
98 residents. A lease agreement required as a condition of bond
99 financing or refinancing under s. 154.213 by a health facilities
100 authority or required under s. 159.30 by a county or
101 municipality is not a leasehold for purposes of this paragraph
102 and is not subject to the bond requirement of this paragraph.

103 Section 3. Subsections (5) through (13) of section
104 408.061, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (7)
105 through (15), respectively, subsection (4) is amended, and new
106 subsections (5) and (6) are added to that section, to read:

107 408.061 Data collection; uniform systems of financial
108 reporting; information relating to physician charges;
109 confidential information; immunity.—

110 (4) Within 120 days after the end of its fiscal year, each
111 health care facility, excluding continuing care facilities, and
112 hospitals operated by state agencies, ~~and nursing homes~~ as those
113 terms are defined in s. 408.07, shall file with the agency, on

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114 forms adopted by the agency and based on the uniform system of
115 financial reporting, its actual financial experience for that
116 fiscal year, including expenditures, revenues, and statistical
117 measures. Such data may be based on internal financial reports
118 which are certified to be complete and accurate by the provider.
119 However, hospitals' actual financial experience shall be their
120 audited actual experience. Every nursing home shall submit to
121 the agency, in a format designated by the agency, a statistical
122 profile of the nursing home residents. The agency, in
123 conjunction with the Department of Elderly Affairs and the
124 Department of Health, shall review these statistical profiles
125 and develop recommendations for the types of residents who might
126 more appropriately be placed in their homes or other
127 noninstitutional settings.

128 (5) Within 120 days after the end of its fiscal year, each
129 nursing home as defined in s. 408.07 shall file with the agency,
130 on forms adopted by the agency and based on the uniform system
131 of financial reporting, its actual financial experience for that
132 fiscal year, including expenditures, revenues, and statistical
133 measures. Such data may be based on internal financial reports
134 which are certified to be complete and accurate by the chief
135 financial officer of the nursing home. However, the nursing
136 home's actual financial experience shall be its audited actual
137 financial experience, as audited by an independent certified
138 public accountant. This audited actual experience shall include

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139 the fiscal year-end balance sheet, income statement, statement
140 of cash flow, and statement of retained earnings and shall be
141 submitted to the agency in addition to the information filed in
142 the uniform system of financial reporting. The nursing home
143 shall provide all necessary records for the independent
144 certified public accountant to form an opinion and complete an
145 accurate audit report. The independent certified public
146 accountant's opinion and audit report shall accompany the
147 financial statements submitted to the agency. The audited
148 financial statements shall tie to the information submitted in
149 the uniform system of financial reporting and a crosswalk shall
150 be submitted along with the audited financial statements.

151 (6) Within 120 days after the end of its fiscal year, the
152 home office of each nursing home as defined in s. 408.07 shall
153 file with the agency, on forms adopted by the agency and based
154 on the uniform system of financial reporting, its actual
155 financial experience for that fiscal year, including
156 expenditures, revenues, and statistical measures. Such data may
157 be based on internal financial reports which are certified to be
158 complete and accurate by the chief financial officer of the
159 nursing home. However, the home office's actual financial
160 experience shall be its audited actual financial experience, as
161 audited by an independent certified public accountant. This
162 audited actual experience shall include the fiscal year-end
163 balance sheet, income statement, statement of cash flow, and

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164 statement of retained earnings and shall be submitted to the
165 agency in addition to the information filed in the uniform
166 system of financial reporting. The home office shall provide all
167 necessary records for the independent certified public
168 accountant to form an opinion and complete an accurate audit
169 report. The independent certified public accountant's opinion
170 and audit report shall accompany the financial statements
171 submitted to the agency. The audited financial statements shall
172 tie to the information submitted in the uniform system of
173 financial reporting and a crosswalk shall be submitted along
174 with the audited financial statements.

175 Section 4. Subsections (19) through (27) of section
176 408.07, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (20)
177 through (28), respectively, and subsections (28) through (44)
178 are renumbered as subsections (30) through (46), and new
179 subsections (19) and (29) are added to that section, to read:

180 408.07 Definitions.—As used in this chapter, with the
181 exception of ss. 408.031-408.045, the term:

182 (19) "FNHURS" means the Florida Nursing Home Uniform
183 Reporting System developed by the agency.

184 (29) "Home office" has the same meaning as provided in the
185 Provider Reimbursement Manual, Part 1 (Centers for Medicare and
186 Medicaid Services, Pub. 15-1), as that definition exists on the
187 effective date of this act.

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188 Section 5. Subsection (5) of section 409.903, Florida
189 Statutes, is amended to read:

190 409.903 Mandatory payments for eligible persons.—The
191 agency shall make payments for medical assistance and related
192 services on behalf of the following persons who the department,
193 or the Social Security Administration by contract with the
194 Department of Children and Families, determines to be eligible,
195 subject to the income, assets, and categorical eligibility tests
196 set forth in federal and state law. Payment on behalf of these
197 Medicaid eligible persons is subject to the availability of
198 moneys and any limitations established by the General
199 Appropriations Act or chapter 216.

200 (5) A pregnant woman for the duration of her pregnancy and
201 for the postpartum period ~~as defined in federal law and rule~~
202 consisting of the 12-month period beginning on the last day of
203 her pregnancy, or a child under age 1, if either is living in a
204 family that has an income that ~~which~~ is at or ~~below 150 percent~~
205 ~~of the most current federal poverty level, or, effective January~~
206 ~~1, 1992, that has an income which is at or~~ below 185 percent of
207 the most current federal poverty level. Such a person is not
208 subject to an assets test. Further, a pregnant woman who applies
209 for eligibility for the Medicaid program through a qualified
210 Medicaid provider must be offered the opportunity, subject to
211 federal rules, to be made presumptively eligible for the
212 Medicaid program.

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213 Section 6. Subsection (12) of section 409.904, Florida
214 Statutes, is amended to read:

215 409.904 Optional payments for eligible persons.—The agency
216 may make payments for medical assistance and related services on
217 behalf of the following persons who are determined to be
218 eligible subject to the income, assets, and categorical
219 eligibility tests set forth in federal and state law. Payment on
220 behalf of these Medicaid eligible persons is subject to the
221 availability of moneys and any limitations established by the
222 General Appropriations Act or chapter 216.

223 (12) Effective July 1, 2021 ~~July 1, 2020~~, the agency shall
224 make payments for ~~to~~ Medicaid-covered services:

225 (a) For eligible children and pregnant women, retroactive
226 for a period of no more than 90 days before the month in which
227 an application for Medicaid is submitted.

228 (b) For eligible nonpregnant adults, retroactive to the
229 first day of the month in which an application for Medicaid is
230 submitted.

231 ~~This subsection expires July 1, 2021.~~

232 Section 7. Notwithstanding the expiration dates in
233 sections 13, 15, and 48 of chapter 2020-114, Laws of Florida,
234 paragraph (b) of subsection (2) and subsections (23) and (26) of
235 section 409.908, Florida Statutes, are reenacted to read:

236 409.908 Reimbursement of Medicaid providers.—Subject to
237 specific appropriations, the agency shall reimburse Medicaid

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238 providers, in accordance with state and federal law, according
239 to methodologies set forth in the rules of the agency and in
240 policy manuals and handbooks incorporated by reference therein.
241 These methodologies may include fee schedules, reimbursement
242 methods based on cost reporting, negotiated fees, competitive
243 bidding pursuant to s. 287.057, and other mechanisms the agency
244 considers efficient and effective for purchasing services or
245 goods on behalf of recipients. If a provider is reimbursed based
246 on cost reporting and submits a cost report late and that cost
247 report would have been used to set a lower reimbursement rate
248 for a rate semester, then the provider's rate for that semester
249 shall be retroactively calculated using the new cost report, and
250 full payment at the recalculated rate shall be effected
251 retroactively. Medicare-granted extensions for filing cost
252 reports, if applicable, shall also apply to Medicaid cost
253 reports. Payment for Medicaid compensable services made on
254 behalf of Medicaid eligible persons is subject to the
255 availability of moneys and any limitations or directions
256 provided for in the General Appropriations Act or chapter 216.
257 Further, nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent
258 or limit the agency from adjusting fees, reimbursement rates,
259 lengths of stay, number of visits, or number of services, or
260 making any other adjustments necessary to comply with the
261 availability of moneys and any limitations or directions

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262 provided for in the General Appropriations Act, provided the
263 adjustment is consistent with legislative intent.

264 (2)

265 (b) Subject to any limitations or directions in the
266 General Appropriations Act, the agency shall establish and
267 implement a state Title XIX Long-Term Care Reimbursement Plan
268 for nursing home care in order to provide care and services in
269 conformance with the applicable state and federal laws, rules,
270 regulations, and quality and safety standards and to ensure that
271 individuals eligible for medical assistance have reasonable
272 geographic access to such care.

273 1. The agency shall amend the long-term care reimbursement
274 plan and cost reporting system to create direct care and
275 indirect care subcomponents of the patient care component of the
276 per diem rate. These two subcomponents together shall equal the
277 patient care component of the per diem rate. Separate prices
278 shall be calculated for each patient care subcomponent,
279 initially based on the September 2016 rate setting cost reports
280 and subsequently based on the most recently audited cost report
281 used during a rebasing year. The direct care subcomponent of the
282 per diem rate for any providers still being reimbursed on a cost
283 basis shall be limited by the cost-based class ceiling, and the
284 indirect care subcomponent may be limited by the lower of the
285 cost-based class ceiling, the target rate class ceiling, or the
286 individual provider target. The ceilings and targets apply only

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287 to providers being reimbursed on a cost-based system. Effective
288 October 1, 2018, a prospective payment methodology shall be
289 implemented for rate setting purposes with the following
290 parameters:

291 a. Peer Groups, including:

292 (I) North-SMMC Regions 1-9, less Palm Beach and Okeechobee
293 Counties; and

294 (II) South-SMMC Regions 10-11, plus Palm Beach and
295 Okeechobee Counties.

296 b. Percentage of Median Costs based on the cost reports
297 used for September 2016 rate setting:

298 (I) Direct Care Costs.....100 percent.

299 (II) Indirect Care Costs.....92 percent.

300 (III) Operating Costs.....86 percent.

301 c. Floors:

302 (I) Direct Care Component.....95 percent.

303 (II) Indirect Care Component.....92.5 percent.

304 (III) Operating Component.....None.

305 d. Pass-through Payments.....Real Estate and

306 Personal Property

307 Taxes and Property Insurance.

308 e. Quality Incentive Program Payment Pool....6.5 percent of

309 September 2016 non-property related

310 . payments of included facilities.

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311 f. Quality Score Threshold to Quality for Quality
312 Incentive Payment....20th percentile of included facilities.

313 g. Fair Rental Value System Payment Parameters:

- 314 (I) Building Value per Square Foot based on 2018 RS Means.
- 315 (II) Land Valuation.....10 percent of Gross Building value.
- 316 (III) Facility Square Footage.....Actual Square Footage.
- 317 (IV) Moveable Equipment Allowance.....\$8,000 per bed.
- 318 (V) Obsolescence Factor.....1.5 percent.
- 319 (VI) Fair Rental Rate of Return.....8 percent.
- 320 (VII) Minimum Occupancy.....90 percent.
- 321 (VIII) Maximum Facility Age.....40 years.
- 322 (IX) Minimum Square Footage per Bed.....350.
- 323 (X) Maximum Square Footage for Bed.....500.
- 324 (XI) Minimum Cost of a renovation/replacements.....\$500 per
325 bed.

326 h. Ventilator Supplemental payment of \$200 per Medicaid
327 day of 40,000 ventilator Medicaid days per fiscal year.

328 2. The direct care subcomponent shall include salaries and
329 benefits of direct care staff providing nursing services
330 including registered nurses, licensed practical nurses, and
331 certified nursing assistants who deliver care directly to
332 residents in the nursing home facility, allowable therapy costs,
333 and dietary costs. This excludes nursing administration, staff
334 development, the staffing coordinator, and the administrative
335 portion of the minimum data set and care plan coordinators. The

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336 direct care subcomponent also includes medically necessary
337 dental care, vision care, hearing care, and podiatric care.

338 3. All other patient care costs shall be included in the
339 indirect care cost subcomponent of the patient care per diem
340 rate, including complex medical equipment, medical supplies, and
341 other allowable ancillary costs. Costs may not be allocated
342 directly or indirectly to the direct care subcomponent from a
343 home office or management company.

344 4. On July 1 of each year, the agency shall report to the
345 Legislature direct and indirect care costs, including average
346 direct and indirect care costs per resident per facility and
347 direct care and indirect care salaries and benefits per category
348 of staff member per facility.

349 5. Every fourth year, the agency shall rebase nursing home
350 prospective payment rates to reflect changes in cost based on
351 the most recently audited cost report for each participating
352 provider.

353 6. A direct care supplemental payment may be made to
354 providers whose direct care hours per patient day are above the
355 80th percentile and who provide Medicaid services to a larger
356 percentage of Medicaid patients than the state average.

357 7. For the period beginning July 1, 2020, the agency shall
358 establish a unit cost increase as an equal percentage for each
359 nursing home.

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360 8. For the period beginning on October 1, 2018, and ending
361 on September 30, 2021, the agency shall reimburse providers the
362 greater of their September 2016 cost-based rate plus the July 1,
363 2020, unit cost increase or their prospective payment rate plus
364 the July 1, 2020, unit cost increase. Effective October 1, 2021,
365 the agency shall reimburse providers the greater of 95 percent
366 of their cost-based rate plus the July 1, 2020, unit cost
367 increase or their rebased prospective payment rate plus the July
368 1, 2020, unit cost increase, using the most recently audited
369 cost report for each facility. This subparagraph shall expire
370 September 30, 2023.

371 9. Pediatric, Florida Department of Veterans Affairs, and
372 government-owned facilities are exempt from the pricing model
373 established in this subsection and shall remain on a cost-based
374 prospective payment system. Effective October 1, 2018, the
375 agency shall set rates for all facilities remaining on a cost-
376 based prospective payment system using each facility's most
377 recently audited cost report, eliminating retroactive
378 settlements.

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380 It is the intent of the Legislature that the reimbursement plan
381 achieve the goal of providing access to health care for nursing
382 home residents who require large amounts of care while
383 encouraging diversion services as an alternative to nursing home
384 care for residents who can be served within the community. The

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385 agency shall base the establishment of any maximum rate of
386 payment, whether overall or component, on the available moneys
387 as provided for in the General Appropriations Act. The agency
388 may base the maximum rate of payment on the results of
389 scientifically valid analysis and conclusions derived from
390 objective statistical data pertinent to the particular maximum
391 rate of payment.

392 (23) (a) The agency shall establish rates at a level that
393 ensures no increase in statewide expenditures resulting from a
394 change in unit costs for county health departments effective
395 July 1, 2011. Reimbursement rates shall be as provided in the
396 General Appropriations Act.

397 (b)1. Base rate reimbursement for inpatient services under
398 a diagnosis-related group payment methodology shall be provided
399 in the General Appropriations Act.

400 2. Base rate reimbursement for outpatient services under
401 an enhanced ambulatory payment group methodology shall be
402 provided in the General Appropriations Act.

403 3. Prospective payment system reimbursement for nursing
404 home services shall be as provided in subsection (2) and in the
405 General Appropriations Act.

406 (26) The agency may receive funds from state entities,
407 including, but not limited to, the Department of Health, local
408 governments, and other local political subdivisions, for the
409 purpose of making special exception payments and Low Income Pool

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410 Program payments, including federal matching funds. Funds
411 received for this purpose shall be separately accounted for and
412 may not be commingled with other state or local funds in any
413 manner. The agency may certify all local governmental funds used
414 as state match under Title XIX of the Social Security Act to the
415 extent and in the manner authorized under the General
416 Appropriations Act and pursuant to an agreement between the
417 agency and the local governmental entity. In order for the
418 agency to certify such local governmental funds, a local
419 governmental entity must submit a final, executed letter of
420 agreement to the agency, which must be received by October 1 of
421 each fiscal year and provide the total amount of local
422 governmental funds authorized by the entity for that fiscal year
423 under the General Appropriations Act. The local governmental
424 entity shall use a certification form prescribed by the agency.
425 At a minimum, the certification form must identify the amount
426 being certified and describe the relationship between the
427 certifying local governmental entity and the local health care
428 provider. Local governmental funds outlined in the letters of
429 agreement must be received by the agency no later than October
430 31 of each fiscal year in which such funds are pledged, unless
431 an alternative plan is specifically approved by the agency. To
432 be eligible for low-income pool funding or other forms of
433 supplemental payments funded by intergovernmental transfers, and
434 in addition to any other applicable requirements, essential

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435 providers under s. 409.975(1)(a)2. must offer to contract with
436 each managed care plan in their region and essential providers
437 under s. 409.975(1)(b)1. and 3. must offer to contract with each
438 managed care plan in the state. Before releasing such
439 supplemental payments, in the event the parties have not
440 executed network contracts, the agency shall evaluate the
441 parties' efforts to complete negotiations. If such efforts
442 continue to fail, the agency shall withhold such supplemental
443 payments beginning in the third quarter of the fiscal year if it
444 determines that, based upon the totality of the circumstances,
445 the essential provider has negotiated with the managed care plan
446 in bad faith. If the agency determines that an essential
447 provider has negotiated in bad faith, it must notify the
448 essential provider at least 90 days in advance of the start of
449 the third quarter of the fiscal year and afford the essential
450 provider hearing rights in accordance with chapter 120.

451 Section 8. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section
452 409.975, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

453 409.975 Managed care plan accountability.—In addition to
454 the requirements of s. 409.967, plans and providers
455 participating in the managed medical assistance program shall
456 comply with the requirements of this section.

457 (1) PROVIDER NETWORKS.—Managed care plans must develop and
458 maintain provider networks that meet the medical needs of their
459 enrollees in accordance with standards established pursuant to

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460 s. 409.967(2)(c). Except as provided in this section, managed
461 care plans may limit the providers in their networks based on
462 credentials, quality indicators, and price.

463 (a) Plans must include all providers in the region that
464 are classified by the agency as essential Medicaid providers,
465 unless the agency approves, in writing, an alternative
466 arrangement for securing the types of services offered by the
467 essential providers. Providers are essential for serving
468 Medicaid enrollees if they offer services that are not available
469 from any other provider within a reasonable access standard, or
470 if they provided a substantial share of the total units of a
471 particular service used by Medicaid patients within the region
472 during the last 3 years and the combined capacity of other
473 service providers in the region is insufficient to meet the
474 total needs of the Medicaid patients. The agency may not
475 classify physicians and other practitioners as essential
476 providers. The agency, at a minimum, shall determine which
477 providers in the following categories are essential Medicaid
478 providers:

- 479 1. Federally qualified health centers.
- 480 2. Statutory teaching hospitals as defined in s.
481 408.07(46) ~~s. 408.07(44)~~.
- 482 3. Hospitals that are trauma centers as defined in s.
483 395.4001(15).

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484 4. Hospitals located at least 25 miles from any other
485 hospital with similar services.

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487 Managed care plans that have not contracted with all essential
488 providers in the region as of the first date of recipient
489 enrollment, or with whom an essential provider has terminated
490 its contract, must negotiate in good faith with such essential
491 providers for 1 year or until an agreement is reached, whichever
492 is first. Payments for services rendered by a nonparticipating
493 essential provider shall be made at the applicable Medicaid rate
494 as of the first day of the contract between the agency and the
495 plan. A rate schedule for all essential providers shall be
496 attached to the contract between the agency and the plan. After
497 1 year, managed care plans that are unable to contract with
498 essential providers shall notify the agency and propose an
499 alternative arrangement for securing the essential services for
500 Medicaid enrollees. The arrangement must rely on contracts with
501 other participating providers, regardless of whether those
502 providers are located within the same region as the
503 nonparticipating essential service provider. If the alternative
504 arrangement is approved by the agency, payments to
505 nonparticipating essential providers after the date of the
506 agency's approval shall equal 90 percent of the applicable
507 Medicaid rate. Except for payment for emergency services, if the
508 alternative arrangement is not approved by the agency, payment

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509 to nonparticipating essential providers shall equal 110 percent
510 of the applicable Medicaid rate.

511 Section 9. Notwithstanding the expiration date in section
512 19 of chapter 2020-114, Laws of Florida, paragraph (b) of
513 subsection (5) of section 624.91, Florida Statutes, is reenacted
514 to read:

515 624.91 The Florida Healthy Kids Corporation Act.—

516 (5) CORPORATION AUTHORIZATION, DUTIES, POWERS.—

517 (b) The Florida Healthy Kids Corporation shall:

518 1. Arrange for the collection of any family, local
519 contributions, or employer payment or premium, in an amount to
520 be determined by the board of directors, to provide for payment
521 of premiums for comprehensive insurance coverage and for the
522 actual or estimated administrative expenses.

523 2. Arrange for the collection of any voluntary
524 contributions to provide for payment of Florida Kidcare program
525 premiums for children who are not eligible for medical
526 assistance under Title XIX or Title XXI of the Social Security
527 Act.

528 3. Subject to the provisions of s. 409.8134, accept
529 voluntary supplemental local match contributions that comply
530 with the requirements of Title XXI of the Social Security Act
531 for the purpose of providing additional Florida Kidcare coverage
532 in contributing counties under Title XXI.

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533 4. Establish the administrative and accounting procedures
534 for the operation of the corporation.

535 5. Establish, with consultation from appropriate
536 professional organizations, standards for preventive health
537 services and providers and comprehensive insurance benefits
538 appropriate to children, provided that such standards for rural
539 areas shall not limit primary care providers to board-certified
540 pediatricians.

541 6. Determine eligibility for children seeking to
542 participate in the Title XXI-funded components of the Florida
543 Kidcare program consistent with the requirements specified in s.
544 409.814, as well as the non-Title-XXI-eligible children as
545 provided in subsection (3).

546 7. Establish procedures under which providers of local
547 match to, applicants to and participants in the program may have
548 grievances reviewed by an impartial body and reported to the
549 board of directors of the corporation.

550 8. Establish participation criteria and, if appropriate,
551 contract with an authorized insurer, health maintenance
552 organization, or third-party administrator to provide
553 administrative services to the corporation.

554 9. Establish enrollment criteria that include penalties or
555 waiting periods of 30 days for reinstatement of coverage upon
556 voluntary cancellation for nonpayment of family premiums.

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557 10. Contract with authorized insurers or any provider of
558 health care services, meeting standards established by the
559 corporation, for the provision of comprehensive insurance
560 coverage to participants. Such standards shall include criteria
561 under which the corporation may contract with more than one
562 provider of health care services in program sites. Health plans
563 shall be selected through a competitive bid process. The Florida
564 Healthy Kids Corporation shall purchase goods and services in
565 the most cost-effective manner consistent with the delivery of
566 quality medical care. The maximum administrative cost for a
567 Florida Healthy Kids Corporation contract shall be 15 percent.
568 For health care contracts, the minimum medical loss ratio for a
569 Florida Healthy Kids Corporation contract shall be 85 percent.
570 For dental contracts, the remaining compensation to be paid to
571 the authorized insurer or provider under a Florida Healthy Kids
572 Corporation contract shall be no less than an amount which is 85
573 percent of premium; to the extent any contract provision does
574 not provide for this minimum compensation, this section shall
575 prevail. For an insurer or any provider of health care services
576 which achieves an annual medical loss ratio below 85 percent,
577 the Florida Healthy Kids Corporation shall validate the medical
578 loss ratio and calculate an amount to be refunded by the insurer
579 or any provider of health care services to the state which shall
580 be deposited into the General Revenue Fund unallocated. The
581 health plan selection criteria and scoring system, and the

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582 scoring results, shall be available upon request for inspection
583 after the bids have been awarded.

584 11. Establish disenrollment criteria in the event local
585 matching funds are insufficient to cover enrollments.

586 12. Develop and implement a plan to publicize the Florida
587 Kidcare program, the eligibility requirements of the program,
588 and the procedures for enrollment in the program and to maintain
589 public awareness of the corporation and the program.

590 13. Secure staff necessary to properly administer the
591 corporation. Staff costs shall be funded from state and local
592 matching funds and such other private or public funds as become
593 available. The board of directors shall determine the number of
594 staff members necessary to administer the corporation.

595 14. In consultation with the partner agencies, provide a
596 report on the Florida Kidcare program annually to the Governor,
597 the Chief Financial Officer, the Commissioner of Education, the
598 President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of
599 Representatives, and the Minority Leaders of the Senate and the
600 House of Representatives.

601 15. Provide information on a quarterly basis to the
602 Legislature and the Governor which compares the costs and
603 utilization of the full-pay enrolled population and the Title
604 XXI-subsidized enrolled population in the Florida Kidcare
605 program. The information, at a minimum, must include:

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606 a. The monthly enrollment and expenditure for full-pay
607 enrollees in the Medikids and Florida Healthy Kids programs
608 compared to the Title XXI-subsidized enrolled population; and

609 b. The costs and utilization by service of the full-pay
610 enrollees in the Medikids and Florida Healthy Kids programs and
611 the Title XXI-subsidized enrolled population.

612 16. Establish benefit packages that conform to the provisions of
613 the Florida Kidcare program, as created in ss. 409.810-409.821.

614 Section 10. Paragraph (e) of subsection (2) of section
615 1011.52, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

616 1011.52 Appropriation to first accredited medical school.-

617 (2) In order for a medical school to qualify under this
618 section and to be entitled to the benefits herein, such medical
619 school:

620 (e) Must have in place an operating agreement with a
621 government-owned hospital that is located in the same county as
622 the medical school and that is a statutory teaching hospital as
623 defined in s. 408.07(46) ~~s. 408.07(44)~~. The operating agreement
624 must provide for the medical school to maintain the same level
625 of affiliation with the hospital, including the level of
626 services to indigent and charity care patients served by the
627 hospital, which was in place in the prior fiscal year. Each
628 year, documentation demonstrating that an operating agreement is
629 in effect shall be submitted jointly to the Department of

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630 Education by the hospital and the medical school prior to the
631 payment of moneys from the annual appropriation.

632 Section 11. This act shall take effect July 1, 2021.

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635 **T I T L E A M E N D M E N T**

636 Remove everything before the enacting clause and insert:

637 A bill to be entitled

638 An act relating to health care; amending s. 296.37,
639 F.S.; revising the threshold dollar amount relating to
640 a requirement that a resident of a certain health care
641 facility contribute to his or her maintenance and
642 support; reenacting s. 400.179, F.S., relating to
643 specified fees collected by the Agency for Health Care
644 Administration from certain nursing homes to maintain
645 the lease bond alternative; amending s. 408.061, F.S.;
646 requiring nursing homes and their home offices to
647 annually submit to the agency audited financial data
648 and certain other information within a specified
649 timeframe using a certain uniform system of financial
650 reporting; amending s. 408.07, F.S.; providing
651 definitions; amending s. 409.903, F.S.; extending the
652 postpartum Medicaid eligibility period for pregnant
653 women; amending s. 409.904, F.S.; revising a date
654 relating to a requirement that the agency make

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655 payments for Medicaid-covered services retroactive for
656 a specified period for certain eligible persons;
657 abrogating the future expiration of certain
658 provisions; reenacting s. 409.908, F.S., relating to
659 the agency's implementation of a state Title XIX Long-
660 Term Care Reimbursement Plan for nursing home care,
661 the reimbursement of Medicaid providers, and Low
662 Income Pool Program payments; amending s. 409.975,
663 F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; reenacting s.
664 624.91, F.S., relating to a requirement that the
665 Florida Healthy Kids Corporation validate the medical
666 loss ratio and calculate a refund amount for insurers
667 and providers of health care services who meet certain
668 criteria; amending s. 1011.52, F.S.; conforming a
669 cross-reference; providing an effective date.

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