

1                                   A bill to be entitled  
 2           An act relating to Broward County; creating the  
 3           Broward County Hospital District Study Group to  
 4           prepare a report and make recommendations regarding  
 5           the South Broward Hospital District and the North  
 6           Broward Hospital District; providing for membership;  
 7           providing for staff support; providing an effective  
 8           date.

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 10 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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 12           Section 1. (1) The Broward County Hospital District Study  
 13 Group is created to prepare a report examining issues affecting  
 14 the South Broward Hospital District and the North Broward  
 15 Hospital District and make recommendations regarding the  
 16 districts.

17           (2) The study group shall be composed of the following:

18           (a) Two members of the House of Representatives whose  
 19 districts primarily represent Broward County, to be appointed by  
 20 the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

21           (b) Two members of the Senate whose districts primarily  
 22 represent Broward County, to be appointed by the President of  
 23 the Senate.

24           (c) The Chief Executive Officers of both the South Broward  
 25 Hospital District and the North Broward Hospital District.

26           (d) The chairs of the Board of Commissioners of both the  
 27 South Broward Hospital District and the North Broward Hospital  
 28 District.

29           (e) The Mayor of Broward County.

30           (f) An appointee of the Governor of the State of Florida.

31           (g) The Chief Medical Officers of both the South Broward  
 32 Hospital District and the North Broward Hospital District.

33           (h) A consumer representative who shall be selected by the  
 34 legislators appointed by the Senate President and the Speaker of  
 35 the House of Representatives.

36           (3) Each member of the study group is subject to approval  
 37 by the Broward County Legislative Delegation.

38           (4) The study group shall conduct meetings and take  
 39 testimony from interested persons and shall evaluate and develop  
 40 findings and recommendations regarding changes to the South  
 41 Broward Hospital District and the North Broward Hospital  
 42 District and potential improvements to the quality and cost of  
 43 health care in Broward County. The districts shall cooperate  
 44 fully and provide the study group with all requested data and  
 45 information necessary to complete its task.

46           (5) Members of the study group shall serve without  
 47 compensation.

48           (6) The members of the study group shall be appointed by  
 49 July 30, 2018, and shall hold their first meeting by September  
 50 1, 2018. The final report of the study group shall be submitted

51 to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of  
52 Representatives by January 28, 2019. The study group is  
53 abolished upon submission of the group's final report.

54 (7) The Broward County Legislative Delegation shall  
55 provide staff assistance and resources to the study group.

56 Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.