

SB0379/957372/1

BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 379  
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in lines 2 and 3, strike “Economic Impact Statements” and substitute “Placement”; strike beginning with “voluntarily” in line 4 down through “system” in line 5 and substitute “downsizes”; in line 12, after “year;” insert “requiring the Health Services Cost Review Commission to prorate the total amount of certain fees in a certain manner to derive a certain fee; prohibiting the Health Services Cost Review Commission from including certain employees if the Health Services Cost Review Commission uses the number of employees of a hospital who are affected by the closure, merger, downsizing, or delicensing of the hospital in calculating a certain fee;”; strike beginning with “requiring” in line 12 down through “period;” in line 14; strike beginning with the second “to” in line 15 down through “used” in line 20 and substitute “; requiring the Department to make a certain determination before using a certain program; defining a certain term; making a conforming change”; and in line 21, strike “economic impact statements” and substitute “placement”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, after line 6, insert:

**“(A) IN THIS SECTION, “DOWNSIZE” MEANS TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES OF A HOSPITAL BY AT LEAST 10 FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT EMPLOYEES IN ANY CONSECUTIVE 3-MONTH PERIOD.”;**

in line 7, strike “(A)” and substitute “(B)”; strike beginning with “CONVERTS” in line 7 down through “SYSTEM,” in line 9 and substitute “DOWNSIZES,”; in line 13, strike “The” and substitute “SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPHS (3) AND (4) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE”; in lines 17 and 20, in each instance, strike “CONVERSION, ACQUISITION,” and substitute “DOWNSIZING,”; after line 20, insert:

(Over)

**“(3) THE HEALTH SERVICES COST REVIEW COMMISSION SHALL PRORATE THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF FEES AMONG ALL HOSPITALS BASED ON THE RATIO OF THE ACTUAL GROSS PATIENT REVENUES OF AN INDIVIDUAL HOSPITAL TO THE TOTAL GROSS PATIENT REVENUES OF ALL HOSPITALS TO DERIVE THE INDIVIDUAL FEE FOR EACH HOSPITAL.**

**(4) IF THE HEALTH SERVICES COST REVIEW COMMISSION USES THE NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES AFFECTED BY THE CLOSURE, MERGER, DOWNSIZING, OR DELICENSING OF A HOSPITAL IN CALCULATING THE FEE, THE HEALTH SERVICES COST REVIEW COMMISSION MAY NOT INCLUDE AN EMPLOYEE WHO IS OFFERED A COMPARABLE OR BETTER POSITION BY THE HOSPITAL AT AN AFFILIATED HOSPITAL LOCATED WITHIN A 30-MILE RADIUS OF THE EMPLOYEE’S PLACE OF RESIDENCE.”;**

and in line 21, strike “(3)” and substitute “(5)”.

On pages 2 and 3, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 24 on page 2 through line 2 on page 3, inclusive.

**AMENDMENT NO. 3**

On page 3, after line 4, insert:

**“(A) IN THIS SECTION, “DOWNSIZE” MEANS TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES OF A HOSPITAL BY AT LEAST 10 FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT EMPLOYEES IN ANY CONSECUTIVE 3-MONTH PERIOD.”;**

in lines 5, 12, and 14, strike “(a)”, “(b)”, and “(c)”, respectively, and substitute “(B)”, “(D)”, and “(E)”, respectively; in line 6, after “are” insert “**NONEXECUTIVE EMPLOYEES, WHO ARE NOT LICENSED PHYSICIANS OR PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS,**

AND WHO ARE"; strike beginning with "or" in line 7 down through the bracket in line 10; in line 11, strike the bracket; after line 11, insert:

**"(C) BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT USES THE PROGRAM ESTABLISHED UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL DETERMINE WHETHER THERE ARE OTHER PROGRAMS IN THE DEPARTMENT THAT MAY BE USED TO PROVIDE TRAINING AND PLACEMENT FOR THE HOSPITAL EMPLOYEES WHO WOULD BE ELIGIBLE FOR TRAINING AND PLACEMENT UNDER THE PROGRAM ESTABLISHED UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION."**;

and in line 16, strike the second set of brackets.

On pages 3 and 4, strike beginning with "TO" in line 16 on page 3 down through "REEMPLOYMENT" in line 6 on page 4.

On page 4, in line 7, strike "(III)" and substitute "(II)"; and in line 9, strike "(d)" and substitute "(F)".