

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate House Floor: 3/AD/2R

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Senator Hays moved the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 727 and 728 insert:

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Section 15. Section 768.135, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

768.135 Volunteer team physicians; immunity.-

- (1) As used in this section, the term "volunteer team physician" means any person licensed to practice medicine pursuant to chapter 458, chapter 459, chapter 460, chapter 461, or chapter 466:
- (a) (1) Who is acting in the capacity of a volunteer team physician in attendance at an athletic event sponsored by a



public or private elementary or secondary school; and (b) (2) Who gratuitously and in good faith prior to the athletic event agrees to render emergency care or treatment to any participant in such event in connection with an emergency

arising during or as the result of such event, without objection

of such participant. T

- (2) A volunteer team physician is shall not be held liable for any civil damages as a result of such care or treatment or as a result of any act or failure to act in providing or arranging further medical treatment unless the when such care or treatment was rendered in a wrongful manner as a reasonably prudent person similarly licensed to practice medicine would have acted under the same or similar circumstances.
- (3) A practitioner licensed under chapter 458, chapter 459, chapter 460, or s. 464.012 who gratuitously and in good faith conducts an evaluation pursuant to s. 1006.20(2)(c) is not liable for any civil damages arising from that evaluation unless the evaluation was conducted in a wrongful manner.
- (4) As used in this section, the term "wrongful manner" means in bad faith or with malicious purpose or in a manner exhibiting wanton and willful disregard of human rights, safety, or property, and shall be construed in conformity with the standard set forth in s. 768.28(9)(a).

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======== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T ========== And the title is amended as follows:

Delete line 59

and insert:

medical negligence claims; amending s. 768.135, F.S.;

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defining the term "volunteer team physician"; providing that a volunteer team physician is not liable for civil damages unless treatment was rendered in a wrongful manner; providing that certain practitioners who conduct certain evaluations are not liable for civil damages unless the evaluation was conducted in a wrongful manner; defining the term "wrongful manner"; providing an effective