

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to home health services; amending s.
 3 400.462, F.S.; revising the definitions of the terms
 4 "home health agency" and "organization" to include
 5 certain marketing organizations for providers of home
 6 health, homemaker, and companion services; providing
 7 an effective date.

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

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 11 Section 1. Subsections (12) and (22) of section 400.462,
 12 Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

13 400.462 Definitions.—As used in this part, the term:

14 (12) "Home health agency" means an organization that
 15 provides home health services and staffing services or an
 16 organization created for the purpose of advertising or promoting
 17 providers of home health services or services provided by a
 18 homemaker or companion as provided under part III of this
 19 chapter.

20 (22) "Organization" means a corporation, government or
 21 governmental subdivision or agency, partnership or association,
 22 or any other legal or commercial entity, any of which involve
 23 more than one health care professional discipline; a health care
 24 professional and a home health aide or certified nursing
 25 assistant; more than one home health aide; more than one

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26 | certified nursing assistant; ~~or~~ a home health aide and a
27 | certified nursing assistant; or an entity that advertises or
28 | promotes providers of home health services or services provided
29 | by a homemaker or companion as provided under part III of this
30 | chapter. The term does not include an entity that provides
31 | services using only volunteers or only individuals related by
32 | blood or marriage to the patient or client.

33 | Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2017.