

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate House

Comm: RCS 03/14/2011

The Committee on Health Regulation (Fasano) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment to Amendment (958050) (with title amendment)

Delete lines 481 - 484 and insert:

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Section 12. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) and paragraph (c) of subsection (2) of section 459.0137, Florida Statutes, are amended, and paragraphs (f) and (g) are added to subsection (5) of that section, to read:

459.0137 Pain-management clinics.

(1) REGISTRATION.—

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- (a) All privately owned pain-management clinics, facilities, or offices, hereinafter referred to as "clinics," which advertise in any medium for any type of pain-management services, or employ an osteopathic physician who is primarily engaged in the treatment of pain by prescribing or dispensing controlled substance medications, must register with the department unless:
- 1. That clinic is licensed as a facility pursuant to chapter 395;
- 2. The majority of the physicians who provide services in the clinic primarily provide surgical services or interventional pain procedures of the type routinely billed using surgical codes;
- 3. The clinic is owned by a publicly held corporation whose shares are traded on a national exchange or on the over-thecounter market and whose total assets at the end of the corporation's most recent fiscal quarter exceeded \$50 million;
- 4. The clinic is affiliated with an accredited medical school at which training is provided for medical students, residents, or fellows;
- 5. The clinic does not prescribe or dispense controlled substances for the treatment of pain; or
- 6. The clinic is owned by a corporate entity exempt from federal taxation under 26 U.S.C. s. 501(c)(3).

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

Delete line 1837



and insert:

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additional penalties; amending s. 459.0137, F.S.; providing an exemption from the requirement that all privately owned pain-management clinics, facilities, or offices that advertise in any medium for any type of pain-management services, or employ an osteopathic physician who is primarily engaged in the treatment of pain by prescribing or dispensing controlled substance medications, must register with the Department of Health;