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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate House

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The Committee on Budget Subcommittee on Health and Human Services Appropriations (Garcia) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 8 and 9 insert:

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Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (15) of section 400.506, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

400.506 Licensure of nurse registries; requirements; penalties.-

- (15) (a) The agency may deny, suspend, or revoke the license of a nurse registry and shall impose a fine of \$5,000 against a nurse registry that:
 - 1. Provides services to residents in an assisted living

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facility for which the nurse registry does not receive fair market value remuneration.

- 2. Provides staffing to an assisted living facility for which the nurse registry does not receive fair market value remuneration.
- 3. Fails to provide the agency, upon request, with copies of all contracts with assisted living facilities which were executed within the last 5 years.
- 4. Gives remuneration to a case manager, discharge planner, facility-based staff member, or third-party vendor who is involved in the discharge planning process of a facility licensed under chapter 395 or this chapter and from whom the nurse registry receives referrals. A nurse registry is exempt from this subparagraph if it does not bill the Florida Medicaid program or the Medicare program or share a controlling interest with any entity licensed, registered, or certified under part II of chapter 408 that bills the Florida Medicaid program or the Medicare program.
- 5. Gives remuneration to a physician, a member of the physician's office staff, or an immediate family member of the physician, and the nurse registry received a patient referral in the last 12 months from that physician or the physician's office staff. A nurse registry is exempt from this subparagraph if it does not bill the Florida Medicaid program or the Medicare program or share a controlling interest with any entity licensed, registered, or certified under part II of chapter 408 that bills the Florida Medicaid program or the Medicare program.

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42	And the title is amended as follows:
43	Between lines 3 and 4
44	insert:
45	s. 409.506, F.S.; revising the grounds for denying,
46	suspending, or revoking the license of a nurse
47	registry; amending