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Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Health & Human Services Committee

Representative Oliva offered the following:

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## Amendment (with title amendment)

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Remove everything after the enacting clause and insert: Section 1. Section 381.925, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

(1) The Legislature intends to recognize hospitals,

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# 381.925 Cancer Center of Excellence Award.-

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treatment centers, and other providers in this state which demonstrate excellence in patient-centered, coordinated care for persons undergoing cancer treatment and therapy in this state. The goal of this program is to encourage excellence in cancer care in this state, attract and retain the best cancer care providers to the state, and help Florida providers be recognized nationally as a preferred destination for quality cancer care. The Cancer Center of Excellence Award will recognize providers that exceed service standards and excel in providing quality, comprehensive, and patient-centered coordinated care.

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- (2) The Florida Cancer Control and Research Advisory

  Council, established in s. 1004.435, and the Biomedical Research

  Advisory Council, established in s. 215.5602, shall select 7

  members and 6 members, respectively, to form a joint committee.
  - (a) The joint committee, consisting of 13 members, shall:
- 1. By January 1, 2014, develop rigorous performance measures, a rating system, and a rating standard that must be achieved to document and distinguish a cancer center that excels in providing quality, comprehensive, and patient-centered coordinated care;
- 2. Review at least every 3 years, and revise if
  applicable, the performance measures, rating system, and rating
  standard to ensure providers are continually enhancing their
  programs to reflect best practices and advances in cancer
  treatment and care from the perspective of comprehensive and
  patient-centered coordinated care; and
- 3. Submit its proposed performance measures, rating system, and rating standard to the Florida Cancer Control and Research Advisory Council and the Biomedical Research Advisory Council to be approved by both councils prior to the evaluation of any provider under such criteria.
- (b) The criteria established by the joint committee must require, at a minimum, that each hospital, treatment center, or other provider:
- 1. Maintain a license in this state which authorizes

  health care services to be provided. A provider may not have
  been disciplined or subjected to any administrative enforcement

Amendment No. 1 action by state or federal regulatory authorities within the preceding 3 years.

- 2. Be accredited by the Commission on Cancer of the American College of Surgeons.
- 3. Actively participate in at least one regional cancer control collaborative that is operating pursuant to the Florida Comprehensive Cancer Control Program's cooperative agreement with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's National Comprehensive Cancer Control Program.
- 4. Meet enhanced cancer care coordination standards which, at a minimum, focus on:
- a. Coordination of care by cancer specialists and nursing and allied health professionals.
  - b. Psychosocial assessment and services.
  - c. Suitable and timely referrals and followup.
- d. Providing accurate and complete information on treatment options, including clinical trials, which consider each person's needs, preferences, and resources, whether provided by that center or available through other health care providers.
- e. Participation in a comprehensive network of cancer specialists of multiple disciplines, which enables the patient to consult with a variety of experts to examine treatment alternatives.
  - f. Family services and support.
  - g. Aftercare and survivor services.
  - h. Patient and family satisfaction survey results.

- (c) The members of the joint committee shall serve without compensation, but may receive reimbursement as provided in s.

  112.061 for travel and other necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their official duties.
- (d) The Department of Health shall provide such staff, information, and other assistance as is reasonably necessary to assist the joint committee in carrying out its responsibilities.
- (3) (a) A provider may apply to the Department of Health for a Cancer Center of Excellence Award. The joint committee must develop an application form to be used by the Department of Health that requires, among other things, submission of documentation by the provider which demonstrates that the criteria in subsection (2) have been met.
- (b) After January 1, 2014, the Department of Health shall annually conduct two application cycles. The applications are not applications for licensure, the grant of the award by the Surgeon General is not final agency action, and the Cancer Center of Excellence Award program is not subject to the provisions of chapter 120.
- (4) (a) The State Surgeon General shall appoint a team of independent evaluators to assess applicants to determine eligibility for the award. An application is to be evaluated independently of any other application. The team shall consist of five evaluators to be selected, in any combination, from the following:
- 1. No more than five health care practitioners or health care facilities not licensed in this state which provide health care services involving cancer diagnoses or treatment;

- 2. No more than three members from the Florida Cancer Control and Research Advisory Council;
- 3. No more than two members from the Biomedical Research and Advisory Council; and
- 4. No more than one layperson who has experience as a cancer patient or as a family member of a cancer patient if that person or his or her family member did not receive care from the applicant or providers being evaluated.
- (b) Each evaluator must be independent and free of any conflict of interest with respect to a health care provider or facility licensed in this state. Each person selected to participate on the evaluation team must sign a conflict of interest attestation before being appointed to the evaluation team.
- (5) (a) Two evaluation team members may, as necessary, conduct an onsite evaluation to verify submitted application documentation.
- (b) Each member on the evaluation team shall report to the State Surgeon General those applicants that achieved or exceeded the required score based on the rating system developed in subsection (2) which demonstrates the cancer center excels in providing quality, comprehensive, and patient-centered coordinated care.
- (c) The State Surgeon General shall, after consultation with the evaluation team, determine if the review process was objective and consistent to ensure a fair and high quality evaluation process, and grant the awards.

- (6) The State Surgeon General shall notify the Governor which providers have been granted the Cancer Center of Excellence Award by the Surgeon General.
- (7) The award shall be recognized for a period of 3 years from the date of the award. A provider may reapply for subsequent awards.
- Award may use the designation in its advertising and marketing for up to 3 years from the date of the award. In addition, a provider that receives a Cancer Center of Excellence Award may be granted, for 3 years from the date of the award, a preference in competitive solicitations related to cancer care or research undertaken by a state agency or state university.
- (9) The State Surgeon General shall report to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by January 31, 2014, the status of implementing the Cancer Center of Excellence Award program, and by December 15 annually thereafter, the number of applications received, the number of award recipients by application cycle, a list of award recipients, and recommendations to strengthen the program.
- (10) The Department of Health shall adopt necessary rules related to the application cycles and submission of the application form.
- Section 2. Paragraph (j) is added to subsection (4) of section 215.5602, Florida Statutes, and paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (10) and subsection (12) are amended in that section to read:

157 215.5602 James and Esther King Biomedical Research
158 Program.—

- (4) The council shall advise the State Surgeon General as to the direction and scope of the biomedical research program. The responsibilities of the council may include, but are not limited to:
- (j) The council shall select, by majority vote, 6 members of the council, who must combine with 7 members of the Florida Cancer Control and Research Advisory Council to form a joint committee to develop performance measures, a rating system, a rating standard, and an application form for the Cancer Center of Excellence Award created in s. 381.925. The council shall also support the State Surgeon General in implementing the award program by ensuring that at least two members of the council, who must be independent of the applicants for the award, are available to serve on the evaluation team as requested by the State Surgeon General. The council shall advise the State Surgeon General with respect to the Cancer Center of Excellence Award program.
- (10) The council shall submit a fiscal-year progress report on the programs under its purview to the Governor, the State Surgeon General, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by December 15. The report must include:
- (a) A list of research projects supported by grants or fellowships awarded under the program. For each listed research project, the report must include:

- 1. The total amount granted to support the research project and any amount of unobligated or unspent funds.
- 2. An itemization of all expenditures, including those for salaries, equipment, and overhead.
  - 3. Whether the research is ongoing or has been completed.
- 4. If the research has not been completed, the estimated date of completion.
- (b) A list of recipients of program grants or fellowships. The report must include, for each recipient, the amount awarded, the intended use of the award, and a brief description of the reasons why the recipient was chosen for the award.
- (12)(a) Beginning in the 2011-2012 fiscal year and thereafter, \$25 million from the revenue deposited into the Health Care Trust Fund pursuant to ss. 210.011(9) and 210.276(7) shall be reserved for research of tobacco-related or cancerrelated illnesses. Of the revenue deposited in the Health Care Trust Fund pursuant to this section, \$25 million shall be transferred to the Biomedical Research Trust Fund within the Department of Health. Subject to annual appropriations in the General Appropriations Act, \$5 million shall be appropriated to the James and Esther King Biomedical Research Program, \$5 million shall be appropriated to the William G. "Bill" Bankhead, Jr., and David Coley Cancer Research Program created under s. 381.922.
- (b) Subject to annual appropriations in the General Appropriations Act, \$5 million shall be appropriated to the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute established under s. 1004.43, \$5 million shall be appropriated to the

- 212 Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center of the University of
- Miami, and \$5 million shall be appropriated to the Shands Cancer
  Hospital.
- 214 Hospital.

- (c) Funds appropriated to entities listed in subsection (b)
- 216 and any other entity that performs or is associated with cancer
- 217 research or care that receives a specific appropriation for
- 218 biomedical research, research-related functions, operations or
- 219 other supportive functions, or expansion of operations in the
- 220 General Appropriations Act must submit beginning July 1, 2014 an
- 221 annual fiscal-year progress report to the President of the
- 222 Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by
- 223 December 15. The report must:
- 224 1. Contain an itemization of all expenditures;
  - 2. Identify the amount of unobligated or unspent funds
- 226 appropriated, if any;
- 227 3. Include a report from an independent audit of receipts
- and payments of the state funds, which may be funded by a
- 229 portion of the appropriation;
- 4. Specify the research, if any, funded by the
- 231 appropriation, as well as the expected and actual results of
- such research;
- 5. Describe any fixed capital outlay project funded by the
- appropriation, the need for the project, how the project will be
- 235 utilized, and the timeline for and status of the project, if
- 236 applicable;
- 6. Include the job description, annual salary and
- benefits, and performance reviews of all funded staff positions,
- 239 if applicable;

- 7. Identify any federal or private grants or donations
  generated as a result of the appropriation or activities funded
  by the appropriation;
- 8. Specify the research, if any, funded by the appropriation, as well as the expected and actual results of such research; and
- 9. Include an assessment of the direct and indirect economic impact of the appropriation, including a description of the contribution of research funded by the appropriation to scientific or technological advancement, and including the economic impact of any federal and private grants or donations generated as a result of the appropriation or activities funded by the appropriation.
- Section 3. Subsection (4) of section 381.922, Florida Statutes, is renumbered as subsection (5), and new subsections (4) and (6) are added to that section, to read:
- 381.922 William G. "Bill" Bankhead, Jr., and David Coley Cancer Research Program.—
- (4) In order to attract and retain experienced research talent and attendant national grant-producing researchers to integrated cancer research and care institutions in this state, the Department of Health may award only one endowment per integrated cancer research and care institution that applies, on a form developed by the department, for an endowed research chair grant. The institution must hold a Cancer Center of Excellence Award pursuant to s. 381.925 or a designation by the National Cancer Institute or its successor organization, for the purpose of establishing funded research chairs, pursuant to a

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specific appropriation for this purpose in the General Appropriations Act. The funds used for such purpose must be independent of funds appropriated pursuant to s. 215.5602(12). A recipient of endowed research chair funds is required to place the funds in an interest bearing account and the interest must be added to the principal balance of the endowment. The endowments are to be used to provide secure funding for research chairs for at least 7 years and to attract experienced and promising researchers whose continued employment for this period is not contingent upon grant awards associated with time-limited research projects. In addition, the Legislature intends for the research chairs to specialize in a cancer-related research field that will facilitate coordination among research institutions within the state, attract other promising researchers and funding to the state, and assist in the sharing of knowledge, resources and facilities to spur initiatives that facilitate commercialization of scientific or technological advancements related to cancer research.

- (a) Upon selection of a research chair the institution shall notify the chair of the Appropriations Committee of the Senate and the chair of the Appropriations Committee of the House of Representatives. An institution funded pursuant to this subsection shall provide to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives an annual progress report by December 15 that must, at a minimum:
- 1. Describe the research program or institution receiving the endowed chair funds;
  - 2. Identify the endowed research chair's name;

- 3. Indicate the amount of the endowment funds used for the chair's salary;
- 4. State the endowment balance, expenditures, interest rate, and interest earned;
- <u>5. Describe the general responsibilities of the researcher</u> who is to be selected for the endowed research chair;
- 6. Identify the percentage of time devoted to research and research-related activities if the chair also serves as a member of the faculty;
- 7. Describe the status of recruitment activities and identify any barriers to attracting promising researchers to the state;
- 8. Identify any federal or private grants or donations generated as a result of the chair's efforts; and
- 9. Describe initiatives that spur the sharing of knowledge, facilities, and resources and facilitate commercialization of scientific or technological advancements related to cancer research.
- chair, the endowment must cease funding expenses associated with the endowed research chair, other than reasonable costs for recruitment, until a replacement chair has been retained. While the endowed research chair is vacant, the endowment must continue to earn interest and all earnings must be added to the balance of the endowment. A vacancy tolls the 7-year timeframe for the endowed research chair.
- (6) The department shall submit a report relating to grants awarded under the program to the Governor, the President

- of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives

  by December 15 each year. The report must include:
  - (a) A list of cancer research projects supported by grants awarded under the program. For each listed research project, the report must include:
  - 1. The total amount granted to support the research project and any amount of unobligated or unspent funds.
  - 2. An itemization of all expenditures, including those for salaries, equipment, and overhead.
    - 3. Whether the research is ongoing or has been completed.
  - 4. If the research has not been completed, the estimated date of completion.
  - (b) A list of recipients of research grants. The report must include, for each recipient, the amount awarded, the intended use of the award, and a brief description of the reasons why the recipient was chosen for the award.
  - Section 4. Paragraph (r) of subsection (4) of section 1004.435, Florida Statutes, is redesignated as paragraph (s), and a new paragraph (r) is added to that subsection, to read:
  - 1004.435 Cancer control and research.
  - (4) FLORIDA CANCER CONTROL AND RESEARCH ADVISORY COUNCIL; CREATION; COMPOSITION.—
  - (r) The council shall select, by majority vote, 7 members of the council, who must combine with 6 members of the Biomedical Research Advisory Council to form a joint committee to develop performance measures, a rating system, a rating standard, and an application form for the Cancer Center of Excellence Award created in s. 381.925. The council shall also

Support the State Surgeon General in implementing the Cancer Center of Excellence Award program by ensuring that at least three members of the council, who must be independent of the applicants for the award, are available to serve on the evaluation team as requested by the State Surgeon General. The council shall advise the State Surgeon General with respect to the Cancer Center of Excellence Award program.

Section 5. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013.

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#### TITLE AMENDMENT

Remove everything before the enacting clause and insert: An act relating to quality cancer care and research; creating s. 381.925, F.S.; providing legislative intent and goals; establishing a Cancer Center of Excellence Award for providers that excel in providing cancer care and treatment in this state; requiring the Florida Cancer Control and Research Advisory Council and the Biomedical Research Advisory Council to each select a certain number of members to form a joint committee to develop and periodically update performance measures, a rating system, and a rating standard in accordance with specified criteria for applicants to qualify for the award; requiring approval by both councils of the performance measures, rating system, and rating standard developed by the joint committee; providing minimum standards; prohibiting members of the joint committee from being compensated, but authorizing reimbursement for travel and other necessary expenses; authorizing a provider

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Amendment No. 1

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to apply to the Department of Health for the award; requiring the joint committee to develop an application form; requiring the department to conduct two application cycles each year; specifying that ch. 120, F.S., does not apply to the applications for or the award of the grant by the Surgeon General; requiring the State Surgeon General to assemble an evaluation team to assess applications; requiring each application to be evaluated independently of any other application; providing membership of and requirements for the evaluation team; providing duties of the members of the evaluation team; requiring the State Surgeon General to notify the Governor of the providers that are to receive the award; limiting the duration of the award; authorizing an award-winning cancer provider to use the designation in its advertising and marketing; providing that an award-winning cancer provider is granted preference in competitive cancer care solicitations for a specified period of time; requiring the State Surgeon General to report to the Legislature by a specified date, and annually thereafter, the status of implementing the award program; requiring the Department of Health to adopt rules related to the application cycles and submission of the application forms; amending s. 215.5602, F.S.; revising the responsibilities of the Biomedical Research Advisory Council with regard to the Cancer Center of Excellence Award program; requiring the council to submit additional information in an annual fiscal-year progress report; requiring entities receiving an appropriation in the General Appropriations Act to submit by a specific date to the Legislature an annual fiscal-year progress report; amending s.

Bill No. HB 7153 (2013)

Amendment No. 1 381.922, F.S.; authorizing endowments, subject to an appropriation, under the William G. "Bill" Bankhead, Jr., and David Coley Cancer Research Program for establishing funded research chairs at integrated research and care institutions who hold an Cancer Center of Excellence Award; providing procedures if the endowed chair becomes vacant; requiring that research institutions report certain information regarding the selected research chair of the endowment and other information about the endowment; providing for qualifications of the chair; specifying the use of the funds in the endowment; requiring the Department of Health to submit an annual report relating to grants awarded under the William G. "Bill" Bankhead, Jr., and David Coley Cancer Research Program; amending s. 1004.435, F.S.; revising the responsibilities of the Florida Cancer Control and Research Advisory Council with regard to the Cancer Center of Excellence Award program; providing an effective date.

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