

By the Committees on Health Policy; and Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Senators Bean, Gibson, and Simpson

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1 A bill to be entitled

2 An act relating to the Program of All-inclusive Care
3 for the Elderly; requiring the Agency for Health Care
4 Administration to contract with a certain organization
5 to provide services under the federal Program of All-
6 inclusive Care for the Elderly in Duval, St. Johns,
7 Baker, and Nassau Counties; providing an exemption
8 from ch. 641, Florida Statutes, for the organization;
9 authorizing, subject to appropriation, enrollment
10 slots for the program in such counties; requiring the
11 Agency for Health Care Administration to contract with
12 a certain not-for-profit corporation to provide
13 services under the federal Program of All-inclusive
14 Care for the Elderly in Alachua and Clay counties;
15 providing an exemption from ch. 641, Florida Statutes,
16 for the corporation; authorizing, subject to
17 appropriation, enrollment slots for the program in
18 such counties; authorizing the Agency for Health Care
19 Administration to contract with a certain organization
20 to provide services under the federal Program of All-
21 inclusive Care for the Elderly in Hernando and Pasco
22 counties; providing an exemption from ch. 641, F.S.,
23 for the organization; authorizing, subject to
24 appropriation, enrollment slots for the program in
25 such counties; providing an effective date.

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

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29 Section 1. Notwithstanding s. 430.707, Florida Statutes,

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30 and subject to federal approval of the application to be a site
31 for the Program of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE)
32 program, the Agency for Health Care Administration shall
33 contract with a not-for-profit organization that has been
34 jointly formed by a lead agency that has been designated
35 pursuant to s. 430.205, Florida Statutes, and that is licensed
36 as a nursing home diversion program provider, and by a not-for-
37 profit hospice provider that has been licensed for more than 30
38 years to serve individuals and families in Duval, St. Johns,
39 Baker, and Nassau Counties. The not-for-profit organization
40 shall leverage existing community-based care providers and
41 healthcare organizations to provide PACE services to frail
42 elders who reside in Duval, St. Johns, Baker, and Nassau
43 Counties. The organization is exempt from the requirements of
44 chapter 641, Florida Statutes. The agency, in consultation with
45 the Department of Elderly Affairs, and subject to an
46 appropriation, shall approve up to 300 initial enrollees in the
47 PACE established by this organization to serve frail elders who
48 reside in Duval, St. Johns, Baker, and Nassau Counties.

49 Section 2. Notwithstanding s. 430.707, Florida Statutes,
50 and subject to federal approval of the application to be a site
51 for the Program of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE),
52 the Agency for Health Care Administration shall contract with
53 one not-for-profit corporation with more than 30-years
54 experience as a licensed hospice provider and currently licensed
55 as a hospice provider to serve individuals and families in Clay,
56 Alachua, Bradford, and Putnam counties. This not-for-profit
57 corporation shall provide PACE services to frail elders who
58 reside in Alachua and Clay counties. The organization shall be

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59 exempt from the requirements of Chapter 641, Florida Statutes.
60 The agency in consultation with the Department of Elderly
61 Affairs and subject to an appropriation, shall approve up to 300
62 initial enrollees in the Program of All-inclusive Care for the
63 Elderly established by this organization to serve frail elders
64 who reside in Alachua, Bradford, Clay, Columbia, Dixie,
65 Gilchrist, Hamilton, Lafayette, Levy, Putnam, Suwannee, and
66 Union counties.

67 Section 3. Notwithstanding s. 430.707, Florida Statutes,
68 and subject to federal approval of the application to be a site
69 for the Program of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE),
70 the Agency for Health Care Administration shall contract with
71 one not-for-profit organization that has more than 30 years'
72 experience as a licensed hospice and is currently a licensed
73 hospice serving individuals and families in Hernando and Pasco
74 Counties. This not-for-profit organization shall provide PACE
75 services to frail elders who reside in Hernando and Pasco
76 Counties. The organization shall be exempt from the requirements
77 of chapter 641, Florida Statutes. The agency, in consultation
78 with the Department of Elderly Affairs and subject to an
79 appropriation, shall approve up to 150 initial enrollees in the
80 Program of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly established by
81 this organization to serve frail elders who reside in Hernando
82 and Pasco Counties.

83 Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013.