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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Committee on Health Policy (Bean) recommended the following:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

Delete everything after the enacting clause  
and insert:

Section 1. Section 383.336, Florida Statutes, is repealed.

Section 2. Section 395.1051, Florida Statutes, is amended  
to read:  
395.1051 Duty to notify patients and obstetrical  
physicians.—

(1) An appropriately trained person designated by each  
licensed facility shall inform each patient, or an individual



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12 identified pursuant to s. 765.401(1), in person about adverse  
13 incidents that result in serious harm to the patient.  
14 Notification of outcomes of care which ~~that~~ result in harm to  
15 the patient under this section does ~~shall~~ not constitute an  
16 acknowledgment or admission of liability and may not, ~~nor can it~~  
17 be introduced as evidence.

18 (2) A hospital shall notify each obstetrical physician who  
19 has privileges at the hospital at least 120 days before the  
20 hospital closes its obstetrical department or ceases to provide  
21 obstetrical services. The agency shall adopt rules to administer  
22 this subsection, including rules governing those situations in  
23 which it is impossible for the hospital to provide 120 days'  
24 notice due to circumstances beyond the control of the hospital  
25 or the obstetrical physician.

26 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2014.

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29 And the title is amended as follows:

30 Delete everything before the enacting clause  
31 and insert:

32 A bill to be entitled  
33 An act relating to obstetrical services at hospitals;  
34 repealing s. 383.336, F.S., relating to provider  
35 hospitals; amending s. 395.1051, F.S.; requiring a  
36 hospital to notify obstetrical physicians before the  
37 hospital closes its obstetrical department or ceases  
38 to provide obstetrical services; requiring the Agency  
39 for Health Care Administration to adopt rules;  
40 providing an effective date.