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Senator Bradley moved the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

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Before line 19

insert:

Section 1. Present paragraph (c) of subsection (4) of section 395.402, Florida Statutes, is redesignated as paragraph (d), and a new paragraph (c) is added to that subsection, to read:

(c) In any trauma service area in which the department has designated or provisionally approved a total of one Level I or Level II trauma center and such trauma center ceases operation,



a need for an additional trauma center shall immediately be established. A hospital within such trauma service area may submit an application to operate as a Level I or Level II trauma center at any time after the pre-existing trauma center ceases operation without regard to whether the hospital filed a letter of intent to operate as a trauma center. Because such an application is not submitted within the review cycle established in this part, the dates established in this part are not applicable to an application submitted under this paragraph. For an application submitted under this paragraph, the department shall conduct a provisional review to determine whether the application has the critical elements required for a trauma center within 30 days after receiving the completed application and conduct the in-depth evaluation of the application within 5 months after receiving the completed application. The department shall conduct the onsite visits by a review team of out-of-state experts within 11 months after receiving the completed application and make a decision whether the hospital is selected as a trauma center within 12 months after receiving the completed application, unless the hospital seeks and obtains an extension of its provisional status, in which case the department may extend the provisional status of the application for an additional 6 months. An application submitted under this paragraph must comply with all other provisions of this part. The department must comply with the dates and timeframes set forth in this paragraph for administrative review and action on applications submitted under this paragraph.

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And the title is amended as follows: Delete line 3 and insert: facilities and services; amending s. 395.402, F.S.; providing a determination of need for an additional trauma center where a previously existing trauma center has ceased operation; authorizing a hospital to submit an application to operate as a Level I or Level II trauma center under certain circumstances; providing timeframes for administrative review and action on applications to operate as a trauma center where a previously existing trauma center has ceased operation; providing requirements for such

applications; amending s. 400.474, F.S.;