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Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Health Market Reform Subcommittee

Representative Burton offered the following:

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Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 179 and 180, insert:

Section 1. Section 395.0062, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

395.0062 Ambulatory surgical centers that provide advanced birth services.—An ambulatory surgical center may provide advanced birth services if it meets the following requirements:

- (1) Be operated and staffed 24 hours per day, 7 days per week.
- (2) Employ or maintain an agreement with at least one board-certified obstetrician who must be present in the facility at all times during which a patient is in active labor in the

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facility to attend deliveries, respond to emergencies and, when necessary, be available to perform cesarean deliveries.

- (3) At a minimum, employ a registered nurse who is present in the facility at all times and has the ability to stabilize and facilitate the transfer of patients and newborn infants when appropriate.
- (4) Have at least one properly equipped, dedicated surgical suite for the performance of cesarean deliveries.
- (5) Enter into a written agreement with a blood bank for emergency blood bank services and have written protocols for the management of obstetrical hemorrhage that include provisions of emergency blood transfusions. If a patient admitted to the facility for obstetrical services receives an emergency blood transfusion at the facility, the patient must immediately thereafter be transferred to a hospital for further care.
- (6) Have a clinical laboratory on site. The clinical laboratory must, at a minimum, be capable of providing laboratory testing for hematology, metabolic screening, liver function, and coagulation studies. The facility may collect specimens for those tests that are requested under protocol. The facility may perform laboratory tests as defined by rule of the agency. Laboratories located in the facility must be appropriately certified by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services under the federal Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments and the federal rules adopted thereunder.

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(7) In addition to surgical procedures authorized under s.			
383.313, provide obstetrical surgical procedures for low-risk			
cesarean deliveries and surgical management of immediate			
complications. Postpartum sterilization may be performed before			
discharge of the patient who has given birth during that			
admission. Circumcisions may be performed before discharge of			
the newborn infant.			

- (8) Ensure the administration of general, conduction, and local anesthesia by personnel who have the statutory authority to do so. All general anesthesia shall be administered by an anesthesiologist or a certified registered nurse anesthetist.

 When administering general anesthesia, a physician or a certified registered nurse anesthetist shall be present in the facility during the anesthesia and postanesthesia recovery period until the patient is fully alert.
- (9) Allow for labor to be inhibited, stimulated, or augmented with chemical agents during the first or second stage of labor if ordered by personnel who have the statutory authority to do so. Labor may be electively induced beginning at the 39th week of gestation for a patient with a documented Bishop score of 8 or greater.
- (10) Make arrangements with an ambulance service licensed under chapter 401 for the transport of emergency patients to a hospital, identify neonatal-specific transportation services, including ground and air ambulances, and have the telephone

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 numbers for access to these services immediately available to facility staff. Such arrangements shall be documented in the facility's policy and procedures manual. The facility's policy and procedures manual shall also contain specific protocols for the transfer of any patient to a hospital.

- (11) Enter into a written transfer agreement with a hospital for the transfer and admission of emergency patients to the hospital or a written agreement with an obstetrician who has clinical privileges to provide coverage at all times and who has agreed to accept the transfer of the facility's patients.
- (12) Discharge a mother and her infant from the facility within 48 hours after a vaginal delivery of the infant or within 72 hours after a delivery by cesarean section, except in unusual circumstances as defined by rule of the agency.
- (13) File a report with the agency within 48 hours after a scheduled discharge time if a mother or an infant is retained at the facility for more than the timeframes set forth in paragraph (1). The report must describe the circumstances and the reasons for the decision to extend the discharge time.
- (14) Provide the following postpartum care for the mother and her infant:
- (a) Instill a prophylactic in the eyes of each newborn consistent with the provisions of s. 383.04.
- (b) A postpartum evaluation and followup care consistent with the provisions of 383.318(3).

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92	(15) Ensure that a patient provides written informed
93	consent, on a form adopted by the agency, prior to admission.
94	The form shall inform the patient of the benefits and risks
95	related to childbirth outside a hospital.
96	(16) Inform patients and their families of the facility's
97	policies and procedures for education and orientation consistent
98	with the provisions of 383.311.
99	(17) Require each patient have adequate prenatal care, as
100	defined in rule by the agency, and that serological tests are
101	administered as required in chapter 383.
102	(18) Ensure clinical records include, at a minimum, the
103	following information:
104	(a) Identifying information.
105	(b) Risk assessments.
106	(c) Information relating to prenatal visits.
107	(d) Information relating to the course of labor and
108	intrapartum care.
109	(e) Information relating to consultation, referral, and
110	transport to a hospital.
111	(f) Newborn assessment, APGAR score, treatments as
112	required, and followup.
113	(g) Postpartum followup.
114	(19) Require clinical records be available at the
115	<pre>facility:</pre>
116	(a) At the time of admission.

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117	(b) When transfer of care is necessary.
118	(c) For inspection by the agency.
119	(20) Audit clinical records periodically, but no less
120	frequently than every 3 months, to evaluate the process and
121	outcome of care.
122	(21) Analyze, at least semiannually, statistics on
123	maternal and perinatal morbidity and mortality, maternal risk,
124	consultant referrals, and transfers of care.
125	(22) Examine the results of the records audits and
126	statistical analyses and make such results available for
127	inspection by the public and licensing authorities.
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130	TITLE AMENDMENT
131	Remove line 7 and insert:
132	Administration; creating s. 395.0062, F.S.; providing criteria
133	for ambulatory surgical centers that provide advanced birth
134	services; creating s. 395.0171, F.S.; providing

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