

Senator Smith

S 0002-D**GENERAL BILL/CS/1ST ENG by Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Jones; (CO-SPONSORS) King; Clary; Diaz de la Portilla; Lawson; Lee; Peaden; Pruitt; Saunders; Sebesta; Smith (Similar H 0001-D) Medical Incidents; deletes requirement that persons act in good faith to avoid liability or discipline for their actions re awarding of staff membership or clinical privileges; limits noneconomic damages in medical negligence actions; provides limitation on amount of damages which may be awarded to certain third parties in actions alleging bad faith by medical malpractice insurer, etc. Amends FS. Appropriation: \$4,617,780. Effective Date: 09/15/2003 except as otherwise provided.

08/13/03 SENATE Ordered enrolled -SJ 00028

08/14/03

Signed by Officers and presented to Governor;

Approved by Governor; Chapter No. 2003-416

H 0001-D GENERAL BILL by Goodlette; (CO-SPONSORS) Bense; Farkas; Green; Hasner; Spratt (Similar CS/1ST ENG/S 0002-D) Medical Incidents; provides that Children's Medical Services Act applies to infants receiving compensation under Fla. Birth-Related Neurological Injury Compensation Plan; provides limitations on noneconomic damages which can be awarded in causes of action involving medical negligence; provides that action for bad faith may not be brought against medical malpractice insurer if such insurer offers to pay policy limits within specified time period, etc. Amends FS. Appropriation: \$3,767,780. Effective Date: 09/15/2003 except as otherwise provided.

08/13/03 HOUSE Read third time -HJ 00015; Temporarily postponed on third reading; On Unfinished Business -HJ 00016; Died on Calendar, Link/Iden/Sim/Compare passed, refer to CS/SB 2-D (Ch. 2003-416)

**ASTERISK INDICATES LEAD BILL ON TIED
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