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## AN ACT PROMOTING HOSPITAL FINANCIAL STABILITY. AMENDMENT

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### ***OFA Fiscal Note***

#### ***See Fiscal Note Details***

The amendment strikes the underlying bill and its associated impact, resulting in the impact described below.

**Section 1** results in a potential revenue gain to the General Fund by expanding the Office of Health Strategy's (OHS') Health Systems Planning Unit (HSPU's) Certificate of Need (CON) requirements. The revenue gain is dependent on the number of applications received and the cost of the transfer associated with the application<sup>1</sup>.

**Section 2** modifies the CON program for health care entities beginning in FY 25, increasing annual HSPU expenditures of approximately \$440,000 in salary and fringe benefits beginning in FY 25 for two full-time positions and two consultants with external medical expertise. The staff will be needed to conduct CON application reviews on an annual basis. Costs related to HSPU are recovered via an assessment collected from the various state hospitals; this assessment results in a revenue gain to the General Fund that will offset the increased cost to OHS.

**Section 3** requires OHS to conduct a study regarding the CON

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<sup>1</sup> The application fee is determined by the cost of the project, based on a scale described in subsection (a) of Sec. 2 of the amendment.

process, resulting in a one-time cost to HSPU of \$100,000 in FY 25 to hire a consultant to assist the department in meeting the deadline for this project.

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