

## HOUSE BILL 97: 2015 Appropriations Act, Sec. 12G.2: Moratorium on Special Care Unit Licenses

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SUMMARY: Sec. 12G.2 of S.L. 2015-241 amends Sec. 12G.1(a) of S.L. 2013-360, as amended by Sec. 12G.5 of S.L. 2014-100, to extend the moratorium on special care unit licenses to June 30, 2017. The section prohibits the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Division of Health Service Regulation, from issuing licenses for special care units except in specified situations.

The section also requires the DHHS to submit a report to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Health and Human Services by March 1, 2016. The report must contain the following:

- The number of licensed special care units in the State.
- The capacity of the currently licensed special care units to serve people in need of their services.
- The anticipated growth in the number of people needing special care unit services.
- The number of applications received from special care units seeking licensure as permitted by this section, and the number of applications that were not approved.

The section became effective September 18, 2015.

