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AMENDMENT No. 1 PROPOSED TO

Senate Bill NO. 2679

By Senator(s) Simmons

1 AMEND BY INSERTING THE FOLLOWING PARAGRAPH AFTER LINE 1497:

2 (iii) An applicant for a certificate of need for
3 the construction, expansion or conversion of nursing facility beds
4 to be located in any county in which the 1998 State Health Plan
5 indicates an additional bed need of less than fifty (50) beds may
6 appeal the issue of additional bed need in such county to the
7 State Board of Health for review. Any such appeal may be taken
8 during the next two (2) fiscal years and the applicant will be
9 allowed to present documentation to the State Board of Health, or
10 a subcommittee designated for this purpose, that there is a
11 greater nursing bed need than is indicated in the State Health
12 Plan. If the State Board of Health rules that there is an
13 additional bed need of fifty (50) or more beds in such county, the
14 State Department of Health shall proceed to issue a certificate of
15 need to the applicant according to all other applicable terms of
16 this paragraph (qq).