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To: Public Health and
Welfare;
Appropriations

SENATE BILL NO. 2371

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 41-7-191, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
2 TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF NURSING FACILITY BEDS AUTHORIZED UNDER A
3 CERTIFICATE OF NEED ISSUED FOR CALHOUN COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI; AND
4 FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

6 SECTION 1. Section 41-7-191, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
7 amended as follows:

8 41-7-191. (1) No person shall engage in any of the
9 following activities without obtaining the required certificate of
10 need:

11 (a) The construction, development or other
12 establishment of a new health care facility;

13 (b) The relocation of a health care facility or portion
14 thereof, or major medical equipment;

15 (c) A change over a period of two (2) years' time, as
16 established by the State Department of Health, in existing bed
17 complement through the addition of more than ten (10) beds or more
18 than ten percent (10%) of the total bed capacity of a designated
19 licensed category or subcategory of any health care facility,
20 whichever is less, from one physical facility or site to another;
21 the conversion over a period of two (2) years' time, as
22 established by the State Department of Health, of existing bed
23 complement of more than ten (10) beds or more than ten percent
24 (10%) of the total bed capacity of a designated licensed category
25 or subcategory of any such health care facility, whichever is
26 less; or the alteration, modernizing or refurbishing of any unit
27 or department wherein such beds may be located; provided, however,
28 that from and after July 1, 1994, no health care facility shall be

29 authorized to add any beds or convert any beds to another category
30 of beds without a certificate of need under the authority of
31 subsection (1)(c) of this section unless there is a projected need
32 for such beds in the planning district in which the facility is
33 located, as reported in the most current State Health Plan;

34 (d) Offering of the following health services if those
35 services have not been provided on a regular basis by the proposed
36 provider of such services within the period of twelve (12) months
37 prior to the time such services would be offered:

38 (i) Open heart surgery services;
39 (ii) Cardiac catheterization services;
40 (iii) Comprehensive inpatient rehabilitation
41 services;

42 (iv) Licensed psychiatric services;
43 (v) Licensed chemical dependency services;
44 (vi) Radiation therapy services;
45 (vii) Diagnostic imaging services of an invasive
46 nature, i.e. invasive digital angiography;

47 (viii) Nursing home care as defined in
48 subparagraphs (iv), (vi) and (viii) of Section 41-7-173(h);

49 (ix) Home health services;
50 (x) Swing-bed services;
51 (xi) Ambulatory surgical services;
52 (xii) Magnetic resonance imaging services;
53 (xiii) Extracorporeal shock wave lithotripsy
54 services;

55 (xiv) Long-term care hospital services;
56 (xv) Positron Emission Tomography (PET) Services;

57 (e) The relocation of one or more health services from
58 one physical facility or site to another physical facility or
59 site, unless such relocation, which does not involve a capital
60 expenditure by or on behalf of a health care facility, is the
61 result of an order of a court of appropriate jurisdiction or a
62 result of pending litigation in such court, or by order of the
63 State Department of Health, or by order of any other agency or
64 legal entity of the state, the federal government, or any
65 political subdivision of either, whose order is also approved by
66 the State Department of Health;

67 (f) The acquisition or otherwise control of any major
68 medical equipment for the provision of medical services; provided,
69 however, that the acquisition of any major medical equipment used
70 only for research purposes shall be exempt from this paragraph; an
71 acquisition for less than fair market value must be reviewed, if
72 the acquisition at fair market value would be subject to review;

73 (g) Changes of ownership of existing health care
74 facilities in which a notice of intent is not filed with the State
75 Department of Health at least thirty (30) days prior to the date
76 such change of ownership occurs, or a change in services or bed
77 capacity as prescribed in paragraph (c) or (d) of this subsection
78 as a result of the change of ownership; an acquisition for less
79 than fair market value must be reviewed, if the acquisition at
80 fair market value would be subject to review;

81 (h) The change of ownership of any health care facility
82 defined in subparagraphs (iv), (vi) and (viii) of Section
83 41-7-173(h), in which a notice of intent as described in paragraph
84 (g) has not been filed and if the Executive Director, Division of
85 Medicaid, Office of the Governor, has not certified in writing
86 that there will be no increase in allowable costs to Medicaid from
87 revaluation of the assets or from increased interest and
88 depreciation as a result of the proposed change of ownership;

89 (i) Any activity described in paragraphs (a) through
90 (h) if undertaken by any person if that same activity would
91 require certificate of need approval if undertaken by a health
92 care facility;

93 (j) Any capital expenditure or deferred capital
94 expenditure by or on behalf of a health care facility not covered
95 by paragraphs (a) through (h);

96 (k) The contracting of a health care facility as
97 defined in subparagraphs (i) through (viii) of Section 41-7-173(h)
98 to establish a home office, subunit, or branch office in the space
99 operated as a health care facility through a formal arrangement
100 with an existing health care facility as defined in subparagraph

(ix) of Section 41-7-173(h).

(2) The State Department of Health shall not grant approval for or issue a certificate of need to any person proposing the new construction of, addition to, or expansion of any health care facility defined in subparagraphs (iv) (skilled nursing facility) and (vi) (intermediate care facility) of Section 41-7-173(h) or the conversion of vacant hospital beds to provide skilled or intermediate nursing home care, except as hereinafter authorized:

(a) The total number of nursing home beds as defined in subparagraphs (iv) and (vi) of Section 41-7-173(h) which may be authorized by such certificates of need issued during the period beginning on July 1, 1989, and ending on June 30, 2000, shall not exceed one thousand five hundred (1,500) beds. The number of nursing home beds authorized under paragraphs (z), (cc), (dd), (ee) and (ff) of this subsection (2) shall not be counted in the limit on the total number of beds provided for in this paragraph (a).

(b) The department may issue a certificate of need to any of the hospitals in the state which have a distinct part component of the hospital that was constructed for extended care use (nursing home care) but is not currently licensed to provide nursing home care, which certificate of need will authorize the distinct part component to be operated to provide nursing home care after a license is obtained. The six (6) hospitals which currently have these distinct part components and which are eligible for a certificate of need under this section are:

Webster General Hospital in Webster County, Tippah County General Hospital in Tippah County, Tishomingo County Hospital in Tishomingo County, North Sunflower County Hospital in Sunflower County, H.C. Watkins Hospital in Clarke County and Northwest Regional Medical Center in Coahoma County. Because the facilities to be considered currently exist and no new construction is required, the provision of Section 41-7-193(1) regarding substantial compliance with the projection of need as reported in

the 1989 State Health Plan is waived. The total number of nursing home care beds that may be authorized by certificates of need issued under this paragraph shall not exceed one hundred fifty-four (154) beds.

(c) The department may issue a certificate of need to any person proposing the new construction of any health care facility defined in subparagraphs (iv) and (vi) of Section 41-7-173(h) as part of a life care retirement facility, in any county bordering on the Gulf of Mexico in which is located a National Aeronautics and Space Administration facility, not to exceed forty (40) beds, provided that the owner of the health care facility on July 1, 1994, agrees in writing that no more than twenty (20) of the beds in the health care facility will be certified for participation in the Medicaid program (Section 43-13-101 et seq.), and that no claim will be submitted for Medicaid reimbursement for more than twenty (20) patients in the health care facility in any day or for any patient in the health care facility who is in a bed that is not Medicaid-certified. This written agreement by the owner of the health care facility on July 1, 1994, shall be fully binding on any subsequent owner of the health care facility if the ownership of the health care facility is transferred at any time after July 1, 1994. After this written agreement is executed, the Division of Medicaid and the State Department of Health shall not certify more than twenty (20) of the beds in the health care facility for participation in the Medicaid program. If the health care facility violates the terms of the written agreement by admitting or keeping in the health care facility on a regular or continuing basis more than twenty (20) patients who are participating in the Medicaid program, the State Department of Health shall revoke the license of the health care facility, at the time that the department determines, after a hearing complying with due process, that the health care facility has violated the terms of the written agreement as provided in this paragraph.

(d) The department may issue a certificate of need for the conversion of existing beds in a county district hospital or in a personal care home in Holmes County to provide nursing home care in the county. Because the facilities to be considered currently exist, no new construction shall be authorized by such certificate of need. Because the facilities to be considered currently exist and no new construction is required, the provision of Section 41-7-193(1) regarding substantial compliance with the projection of need as reported in the 1989 State Health Plan is waived. The total number of nursing home care beds that may be authorized by any certificate of need issued under this paragraph shall not exceed sixty (60) beds.

(e) The department may issue a certificate of need for the conversion of existing hospital beds to provide nursing home care in a county hospital in Jasper County that has its own licensed nursing home located adjacent to the hospital. The total number of nursing home care beds that may be authorized by any certificate of need issued under this paragraph shall not exceed twenty (20) beds.

(f) The department may issue a certificate of need for the conversion of existing hospital beds in a hospital in Calhoun County to provide nursing home care in the county. The total number of nursing home care beds that may be authorized by any certificate of need issued under this paragraph shall not exceed fifty (50) beds.

(g) The department may issue a certificate of need for the conversion of existing hospital beds to provide nursing home care, not to exceed twenty-five (25) beds, in George County.

(h) Provided all criteria specified in the 1989 State Health Plan are met and the proposed nursing home is within no more than a fifteen-minute transportation time to an existing hospital, the department may issue a certificate of need for the construction of one (1) sixty-bed nursing home in Benton County.

(i) The department may issue a certificate of need to

provide nursing home care in Neshoba County, not to exceed a total of twenty (20) beds. The provision of Section 41-7-193(1) regarding substantial compliance with the projection of need as reported in the current State Health Plan is waived for the purposes of this paragraph.

(j) The department may issue certificates of need on a pilot-program basis for county-owned hospitals in Kemper and Chickasaw Counties to convert vacant hospital beds to nursing home beds, not to exceed fifty (50) beds statewide.

(k) The department may issue certificates of need in Harrison County to provide skilled nursing home care for Alzheimer's Disease patients and other patients, not to exceed one hundred fifty (150) beds, provided that (i) the owner of the health care facility issued a certificate of need for sixty (60) beds agrees in writing that no more than thirty (30) of the beds in the health care facility will be certified for participation in the Medicaid program (Section 43-13-101 et seq.), (ii) the owner of one (1) of the health care facilities issued a certificate of need for forty-five (45) beds agrees in writing that no more than twenty-three (23) of the beds in the health care facility will be certified for participation in the Medicaid program, and (iii) the owner of the other health care facility issued a certificate of need for forty-five (45) beds agrees in writing that no more than twenty-two (22) of the beds in the health care facility will be certified for participation in the Medicaid program, and that no claim will be submitted for Medicaid reimbursement for a number of patients in the health care facility in any day that is greater than the number of beds certified for participation in the Medicaid program or for any patient in the health care facility who is in a bed that is not Medicaid-certified. These written agreements by the owners of the health care facilities on July 1, 1995, shall be fully binding on any subsequent owner of any of the health care facilities if the ownership of any of the health care facilities is transferred at any time after July 1, 1995. After

these written agreements are executed, the Division of Medicaid and the State Department of Health shall not certify for participation in the Medicaid program more than the number of beds authorized for participation in the Medicaid program under this paragraph (k) for each respective facility. If any of the health care facilities violates the terms of the written agreement by admitting or keeping in the health care facility on a regular or continuing basis a number of patients that is greater than the number of beds certified for participation in the Medicaid program, the State Department of Health shall revoke the license of the health care facility, at the time that the department determines, after a hearing complying with due process, that the health care facility has violated the terms of the written agreement as provided in this paragraph.

(l) The department may issue certificates of need for the new construction of, addition to, or expansion of any skilled nursing facility or intermediate care facility in Jackson County, not to exceed a total of sixty (60) beds.

(m) The department may issue a certificate of need for the new construction of, addition to, or expansion of a nursing home, or the conversion of existing hospital beds to provide nursing home care, in Hancock County. The total number of nursing home care beds that may be authorized by any certificate of need issued under this paragraph shall not exceed sixty (60) beds.

(n) The department may issue a certificate of need to any intermediate care facility as defined in Section 41-7-173(h)(vi) in Marion County which has fewer than sixty (60) beds, for making additions to or expansion or replacement of the existing facility in order to increase the number of its beds to not more than sixty (60) beds. For the purposes of this paragraph, the provision of Section 41-7-193(1) requiring substantial compliance with the projection of need as reported in the current State Health Plan is waived. The total number of nursing home beds that may be authorized by any certificate of

need issued under this paragraph shall not exceed twenty-five (25) beds.

(o) The department may issue a certificate of need for the conversion of nursing home beds, not to exceed thirteen (13) beds, in Winston County. The provision of Section 41-7-193(1) regarding substantial compliance with the projection of need as reported in the current State Health Plan is hereby waived as to such construction or expansion.

(p) The department shall issue a certificate of need for the construction, expansion or conversion of nursing home care, not to exceed thirty-three (33) beds, in Pontotoc County. The provisions of Section 41-7-193(1) regarding substantial compliance with the projection of need as reported in the current State Health Plan are hereby waived as to such construction, expansion or conversion.

(q) The department may issue a certificate of need for the construction of a pediatric skilled nursing facility in Harrison County, not to exceed sixty (60) new beds. For the purposes of this paragraph, the provision of Section 41-7-193(1) requiring substantial compliance with the projection of need as reported in the current State Health Plan is waived.

(r) The department may issue a certificate of need for the addition to or expansion of any skilled nursing facility that is part of an existing continuing care retirement community located in Madison County, provided that the recipient of the certificate of need agrees in writing that the skilled nursing facility will not at any time participate in the Medicaid program (Section 43-13-101 et seq.) or admit or keep any patients in the skilled nursing facility who are participating in the Medicaid program. This written agreement by the recipient of the certificate of need shall be fully binding on any subsequent owner of the skilled nursing facility, if the ownership of the facility is transferred at any time after the issuance of the certificate of need. Agreement that the skilled nursing facility will not

participate in the Medicaid program shall be a condition of the issuance of a certificate of need to any person under this paragraph (r), and if such skilled nursing facility at any time after the issuance of the certificate of need, regardless of the ownership of the facility, participates in the Medicaid program or admits or keeps any patients in the facility who are participating in the Medicaid program, the State Department of Health shall revoke the certificate of need, if it is still outstanding, and shall deny or revoke the license of the skilled nursing facility, at the time that the department determines, after a hearing complying with due process, that the facility has failed to comply with any of the conditions upon which the certificate of need was issued, as provided in this paragraph and in the written agreement by the recipient of the certificate of need. The total number of beds that may be authorized under the authority of this paragraph (r) shall not exceed sixty (60) beds.

(s) The State Department of Health may issue a certificate of need to any hospital located in DeSoto County for the new construction of a skilled nursing facility, not to exceed one hundred twenty (120) beds, in DeSoto County, provided that the recipient of the certificate of need agrees in writing that no more than thirty (30) of the beds in the skilled nursing facility will be certified for participation in the Medicaid program (Section 43-13-101 et seq.), and that no claim will be submitted for Medicaid reimbursement for more than thirty (30) patients in the facility in any day or for any patient in the facility who is in a bed that is not Medicaid-certified. This written agreement by the recipient of the certificate of need shall be a condition of the issuance of the certificate of need under this paragraph, and the agreement shall be fully binding on any subsequent owner of the skilled nursing facility if the ownership of the facility is transferred at any time after the issuance of the certificate of need. After this written agreement is executed, the Division of Medicaid and the State Department of Health shall not certify

339 more than thirty (30) of the beds in the skilled nursing facility
340 for participation in the Medicaid program. If the skilled nursing
341 facility violates the terms of the written agreement by admitting
342 or keeping in the facility on a regular or continuing basis more
343 than thirty (30) patients who are participating in the Medicaid
344 program, the State Department of Health shall revoke the license
345 of the facility, at the time that the department determines, after
346 a hearing complying with due process, that the facility has
347 violated the condition upon which the certificate of need was
348 issued, as provided in this paragraph and in the written
349 agreement. If the skilled nursing facility authorized by the
350 certificate of need issued under this paragraph is not constructed
351 and fully operational within eighteen (18) months after July 1,
352 1994, the State Department of Health, after a hearing complying
353 with due process, shall revoke the certificate of need, if it is
354 still outstanding, and shall not issue a license for the facility
355 at any time after the expiration of the eighteen-month period.

356 (t) The State Department of Health may issue a
357 certificate of need for the construction of a nursing facility or
358 the conversion of beds to nursing facility beds at a personal care
359 facility for the elderly in Lowndes County that is owned and
360 operated by a Mississippi nonprofit corporation, not to exceed
361 sixty (60) beds, provided that the recipient of the certificate of
362 need agrees in writing that no more than thirty (30) of the beds
363 at the facility will be certified for participation in the
364 Medicaid program (Section 43-13-101 et seq.), and that no claim
365 will be submitted for Medicaid reimbursement for more than thirty
366 (30) patients in the facility in any month or for any patient in
367 the facility who is in a bed that is not Medicaid-certified. This
368 written agreement by the recipient of the certificate of need
369 shall be a condition of the issuance of the certificate of need
370 under this paragraph, and the agreement shall be fully binding on
371 any subsequent owner of the facility if the ownership of the
372 facility is transferred at any time after the issuance of the

certificate of need. After this written agreement is executed, the Division of Medicaid and the State Department of Health shall not certify more than thirty (30) of the beds in the facility for participation in the Medicaid program. If the facility violates the terms of the written agreement by admitting or keeping in the facility on a regular or continuing basis more than thirty (30) patients who are participating in the Medicaid program, the State Department of Health shall revoke the license of the facility, at the time that the department determines, after a hearing complying with due process, that the facility has violated the condition upon which the certificate of need was issued, as provided in this paragraph and in the written agreement. If the nursing facility or nursing facility beds authorized by the certificate of need issued under this paragraph are not constructed or converted and fully operational within eighteen (18) months after July 1, 1994, the State Department of Health, after a hearing complying with due process, shall revoke the certificate of need, if it is still outstanding, and shall not issue a license for the nursing facility or nursing facility beds at any time after the expiration of the eighteen-month period.

(u) The State Department of Health may issue a certificate of need for conversion of a county hospital facility in Itawamba County to a nursing facility, not to exceed sixty (60) beds, including any necessary construction, renovation or expansion, provided that the recipient of the certificate of need agrees in writing that no more than thirty (30) of the beds at the facility will be certified for participation in the Medicaid program (Section 43-13-101 et seq.), and that no claim will be submitted for Medicaid reimbursement for more than thirty (30) patients in the facility in any day or for any patient in the facility who is in a bed that is not Medicaid-certified. This written agreement by the recipient of the certificate of need shall be a condition of the issuance of the certificate of need under this paragraph, and the agreement shall be fully binding on

any subsequent owner of the facility if the ownership of the facility is transferred at any time after the issuance of the certificate of need. After this written agreement is executed, the Division of Medicaid and the State Department of Health shall not certify more than thirty (30) of the beds in the facility for participation in the Medicaid program. If the facility violates the terms of the written agreement by admitting or keeping in the facility on a regular or continuing basis more than thirty (30) patients who are participating in the Medicaid program, the State Department of Health shall revoke the license of the facility, at the time that the department determines, after a hearing complying with due process, that the facility has violated the condition upon which the certificate of need was issued, as provided in this paragraph and in the written agreement. If the beds authorized by the certificate of need issued under this paragraph are not converted to nursing facility beds and fully operational within eighteen (18) months after July 1, 1994, the State Department of Health, after a hearing complying with due process, shall revoke the certificate of need, if it is still outstanding, and shall not issue a license for the facility at any time after the expiration of the eighteen-month period.

(v) The State Department of Health may issue a certificate of need for the construction or expansion of nursing facility beds or the conversion of other beds to nursing facility beds in either Hinds, Madison or Rankin Counties, not to exceed sixty (60) beds, provided that the recipient of the certificate of need agrees in writing that no more than thirty (30) of the beds at the nursing facility will be certified for participation in the Medicaid program (Section 43-13-101 et seq.), and that no claim will be submitted for Medicaid reimbursement for more than thirty (30) patients in the nursing facility in any day or for any patient in the nursing facility who is in a bed that is not Medicaid-certified. This written agreement by the recipient of the certificate of need shall be a condition of the issuance of

the certificate of need under this paragraph, and the agreement shall be fully binding on any subsequent owner of the nursing facility if the ownership of the nursing facility is transferred at any time after the issuance of the certificate of need. After this written agreement is executed, the Division of Medicaid and the State Department of Health shall not certify more than thirty (30) of the beds in the nursing facility for participation in the Medicaid program. If the nursing facility violates the terms of the written agreement by admitting or keeping in the nursing facility on a regular or continuing basis more than thirty (30) patients who are participating in the Medicaid program, the State Department of Health shall revoke the license of the nursing facility, at the time that the department determines, after a hearing complying with due process, that the nursing facility has violated the condition upon which the certificate of need was issued, as provided in this paragraph and in the written agreement. If the nursing facility or nursing facility beds authorized by the certificate of need issued under this paragraph are not constructed, expanded or converted and fully operational within thirty-six (36) months after July 1, 1994, the State Department of Health, after a hearing complying with due process, shall revoke the certificate of need, if it is still outstanding, and shall not issue a license for the nursing facility or nursing facility beds at any time after the expiration of the thirty-six-month period.

(w) The State Department of Health may issue a certificate of need for the construction or expansion of nursing facility beds or the conversion of other beds to nursing facility beds in either Hancock, Harrison or Jackson Counties, not to exceed sixty (60) beds, provided that the recipient of the certificate of need agrees in writing that no more than thirty (30) of the beds at the nursing facility will be certified for participation in the Medicaid program (Section 43-13-101 et seq.), and that no claim will be submitted for Medicaid reimbursement for

475 more than thirty (30) patients in the nursing facility in any day
476 or for any patient in the nursing facility who is in a bed that is
477 not Medicaid-certified. This written agreement by the recipient
478 of the certificate of need shall be a condition of the issuance of
479 the certificate of need under this paragraph, and the agreement
480 shall be fully binding on any subsequent owner of the nursing
481 facility if the ownership of the nursing facility is transferred
482 at any time after the issuance of the certificate of need. After
483 this written agreement is executed, the Division of Medicaid and
484 the State Department of Health shall not certify more than thirty
485 (30) of the beds in the nursing facility for participation in the
486 Medicaid program. If the nursing facility violates the terms of
487 the written agreement by admitting or keeping in the nursing
488 facility on a regular or continuing basis more than thirty (30)
489 patients who are participating in the Medicaid program, the State
490 Department of Health shall revoke the license of the nursing
491 facility, at the time that the department determines, after a
492 hearing complying with due process, that the nursing facility has
493 violated the condition upon which the certificate of need was
494 issued, as provided in this paragraph and in the written
495 agreement. If the nursing facility or nursing facility beds
496 authorized by the certificate of need issued under this paragraph
497 are not constructed, expanded or converted and fully operational
498 within thirty-six (36) months after July 1, 1994, the State
499 Department of Health, after a hearing complying with due process,
500 shall revoke the certificate of need, if it is still outstanding,
501 and shall not issue a license for the nursing facility or nursing
502 facility beds at any time after the expiration of the
503 thirty-six-month period.

504 (x) The department may issue a certificate of need for
505 the new construction of a skilled nursing facility in Leake
506 County, provided that the recipient of the certificate of need
507 agrees in writing that the skilled nursing facility will not at
508 any time participate in the Medicaid program (Section 43-13-101 et

seq.) or admit or keep any patients in the skilled nursing facility who are participating in the Medicaid program. This written agreement by the recipient of the certificate of need shall be fully binding on any subsequent owner of the skilled nursing facility, if the ownership of the facility is transferred at any time after the issuance of the certificate of need. Agreement that the skilled nursing facility will not participate in the Medicaid program shall be a condition of the issuance of a certificate of need to any person under this paragraph (x), and if such skilled nursing facility at any time after the issuance of the certificate of need, regardless of the ownership of the facility, participates in the Medicaid program or admits or keeps any patients in the facility who are participating in the Medicaid program, the State Department of Health shall revoke the certificate of need, if it is still outstanding, and shall deny or revoke the license of the skilled nursing facility, at the time that the department determines, after a hearing complying with due process, that the facility has failed to comply with any of the conditions upon which the certificate of need was issued, as provided in this paragraph and in the written agreement by the recipient of the certificate of need. The provision of Section 43-7-193(1) regarding substantial compliance of the projection of need as reported in the current State Health Plan is waived for the purposes of this paragraph. The total number of nursing facility beds that may be authorized by any certificate of need issued under this paragraph (x) shall not exceed sixty (60) beds. If the skilled nursing facility authorized by the certificate of need issued under this paragraph is not constructed and fully operational within eighteen (18) months after July 1, 1994, the State Department of Health, after a hearing complying with due process, shall revoke the certificate of need, if it is still outstanding, and shall not issue a license for the skilled nursing facility at any time after the expiration of the eighteen-month period.

(y) The department may issue a certificate of need in Jones County for making additions to or expansion or replacement of an existing forty-bed facility in order to increase the number of its beds to not more than sixty (60) beds. For the purposes of this paragraph, the provision of Section 41-7-193(1) requiring substantial compliance with the projection of need as reported in the current State Health Plan is waived. The total number of nursing home beds that may be authorized by any certificate of need issued under this paragraph shall not exceed twenty (20) beds.

(z) The department may issue certificates of need to allow any existing freestanding long-term care facility in Tishomingo County and Hancock County that on July 1, 1995, is licensed with fewer than sixty (60) beds to increase the number of its beds to not more than sixty (60) beds, provided that the recipient of the certificate of need agrees in writing that none of the additional beds authorized by this paragraph (z) at the nursing facility will be certified for participation in the Medicaid program (Section 43-13-101 et seq.), and that no claim will be submitted for Medicaid reimbursement in the nursing facility for a number of patients in the nursing facility in any day that is greater than the number of licensed beds in the facility on July 1, 1995. This written agreement by the recipient of the certificate of need shall be a condition of the issuance of the certificate of need under this paragraph, and the agreement shall be fully binding on any subsequent owner of the nursing facility if the ownership of the nursing facility is transferred at any time after the issuance of the certificate of need. After this agreement is executed, the Division of Medicaid and the State Department of Health shall not certify more beds in the nursing facility for participation in the Medicaid program than the number of licensed beds in the facility on July 1, 1995. If the nursing facility violates the terms of the written agreement by admitting or keeping in the nursing facility on a regular or continuing

basis a number of patients who are participating in the Medicaid program that is greater than the number of licensed beds in the facility on July 1, 1995, the State Department of Health shall revoke the license of the nursing facility, at the time that the department determines, after a hearing complying with due process, that the nursing facility has violated the condition upon which the certificate of need was issued, as provided in this paragraph and in the written agreement. For the purposes of this paragraph (z), the provision of Section 41-7-193(1) requiring substantial compliance with the projection of need as reported in the current State Health Plan is waived.

(aa) The department may issue a certificate of need for the construction of a nursing facility at a continuing care retirement community in Lowndes County, provided that the recipient of the certificate of need agrees in writing that the nursing facility will not at any time participate in the Medicaid program (Section 43-13-101 et seq.) or admit or keep any patients in the nursing facility who are participating in the Medicaid program. This written agreement by the recipient of the certificate of need shall be fully binding on any subsequent owner of the nursing facility, if the ownership of the facility is transferred at any time after the issuance of the certificate of need. Agreement that the nursing facility will not participate in the Medicaid program shall be a condition of the issuance of a certificate of need to any person under this paragraph (aa), and if such nursing facility at any time after the issuance of the certificate of need, regardless of the ownership of the facility, participates in the Medicaid program or admits or keeps any patients in the facility who are participating in the Medicaid program, the State Department of Health shall revoke the certificate of need, if it is still outstanding, and shall deny or revoke the license of the nursing facility, at the time that the department determines, after a hearing complying with due process, that the facility has failed to comply with any of the conditions

611 upon which the certificate of need was issued, as provided in this
612 paragraph and in the written agreement by the recipient of the
613 certificate of need. The total number of beds that may be
614 authorized under the authority of this paragraph (aa) shall not
615 exceed sixty (60) beds.

616 (bb) Provided that funds are specifically appropriated
617 therefor by the Legislature, the department may issue a
618 certificate of need to a rehabilitation hospital in Hinds County
619 for the construction of a sixty-bed long-term care nursing
620 facility dedicated to the care and treatment of persons with
621 severe disabilities including persons with spinal cord and
622 closed-head injuries and ventilator-dependent patients. The
623 provision of Section 41-7-193(1) regarding substantial compliance
624 with projection of need as reported in the current State Health
625 Plan is hereby waived for the purpose of this paragraph.

626 (cc) The State Department of Health may issue a
627 certificate of need to a county-owned hospital in the Second
628 Judicial District of Panola County for the conversion of not more
629 than seventy-two (72) hospital beds to nursing facility beds,
630 provided that the recipient of the certificate of need agrees in
631 writing that none of the beds at the nursing facility will be
632 certified for participation in the Medicaid program (Section
633 43-13-101 et seq.), and that no claim will be submitted for
634 Medicaid reimbursement in the nursing facility in any day or for
635 any patient in the nursing facility. This written agreement by
636 the recipient of the certificate of need shall be a condition of
637 the issuance of the certificate of need under this paragraph, and
638 the agreement shall be fully binding on any subsequent owner of
639 the nursing facility if the ownership of the nursing facility is
640 transferred at any time after the issuance of the certificate of
641 need. After this written agreement is executed, the Division of
642 Medicaid and the State Department of Health shall not certify any
643 of the beds in the nursing facility for participation in the
644 Medicaid program. If the nursing facility violates the terms of

the written agreement by admitting or keeping in the nursing facility on a regular or continuing basis any patients who are participating in the Medicaid program, the State Department of Health shall revoke the license of the nursing facility, at the time that the department determines, after a hearing complying with due process, that the nursing facility has violated the condition upon which the certificate of need was issued, as provided in this paragraph and in the written agreement. If the certificate of need authorized under this paragraph is not issued within twelve (12) months after July 1, 1998, the department shall deny the application for the certificate of need and shall not issue the certificate of need at any time after the twelve-month period, unless the issuance is contested. If the certificate of need is issued and substantial construction of the nursing facility beds has not commenced within eighteen (18) months after July 1, 1998, the State Department of Health, after a hearing complying with due process, shall revoke the certificate of need if it is still outstanding, and the department shall not issue a license for the nursing facility at any time after the eighteen-month period. Provided, however, that if the issuance of the certificate of need is contested, the department shall require substantial construction of the nursing facility beds within six (6) months after final adjudication on the issuance of the certificate of need.

(dd) The department may issue a certificate of need for the new construction, addition or conversion of skilled nursing facility beds in Madison County, provided that the recipient of the certificate of need agrees in writing that the skilled nursing facility will not at any time participate in the Medicaid program (Section 43-13-101 et seq.) or admit or keep any patients in the skilled nursing facility who are participating in the Medicaid program. This written agreement by the recipient of the certificate of need shall be fully binding on any subsequent owner of the skilled nursing facility, if the ownership of the facility

679 is transferred at any time after the issuance of the certificate
680 of need. Agreement that the skilled nursing facility will not
681 participate in the Medicaid program shall be a condition of the
682 issuance of a certificate of need to any person under this
683 paragraph (dd), and if such skilled nursing facility at any time
684 after the issuance of the certificate of need, regardless of the
685 ownership of the facility, participates in the Medicaid program or
686 admits or keeps any patients in the facility who are participating
687 in the Medicaid program, the State Department of Health shall
688 revoke the certificate of need, if it is still outstanding, and
689 shall deny or revoke the license of the skilled nursing facility,
690 at the time that the department determines, after a hearing
691 complying with due process, that the facility has failed to comply
692 with any of the conditions upon which the certificate of need was
693 issued, as provided in this paragraph and in the written agreement
694 by the recipient of the certificate of need. The total number of
695 nursing facility beds that may be authorized by any certificate of
696 need issued under this paragraph (dd) shall not exceed sixty (60)
697 beds. If the certificate of need authorized under this paragraph
698 is not issued within twelve (12) months after July 1, 1998, the
699 department shall deny the application for the certificate of need
700 and shall not issue the certificate of need at any time after the
701 twelve-month period, unless the issuance is contested. If the
702 certificate of need is issued and substantial construction of the
703 nursing facility beds has not commenced within eighteen (18)
704 months after July 1, 1998, the State Department of Health, after a
705 hearing complying with due process, shall revoke the certificate
706 of need if it is still outstanding, and the department shall not
707 issue a license for the nursing facility at any time after the
708 eighteen-month period. Provided, however, that if the issuance of
709 the certificate of need is contested, the department shall require
710 substantial construction of the nursing facility beds within six
711 (6) months after final adjudication on the issuance of the
712 certificate of need.

(ee) The department may issue a certificate of need for the new construction, addition or conversion of skilled nursing facility beds in Leake County, provided that the recipient of the certificate of need agrees in writing that the skilled nursing facility will not at any time participate in the Medicaid program (Section 43-13-101 et seq.) or admit or keep any patients in the skilled nursing facility who are participating in the Medicaid program. This written agreement by the recipient of the certificate of need shall be fully binding on any subsequent owner of the skilled nursing facility, if the ownership of the facility is transferred at any time after the issuance of the certificate of need. Agreement that the skilled nursing facility will not participate in the Medicaid program shall be a condition of the issuance of a certificate of need to any person under this paragraph (ee), and if such skilled nursing facility at any time after the issuance of the certificate of need, regardless of the ownership of the facility, participates in the Medicaid program or admits or keeps any patients in the facility who are participating in the Medicaid program, the State Department of Health shall revoke the certificate of need, if it is still outstanding, and shall deny or revoke the license of the skilled nursing facility, at the time that the department determines, after a hearing complying with due process, that the facility has failed to comply with any of the conditions upon which the certificate of need was issued, as provided in this paragraph and in the written agreement by the recipient of the certificate of need. The total number of nursing facility beds that may be authorized by any certificate of need issued under this paragraph (ee) shall not exceed sixty (60) beds. If the certificate of need authorized under this paragraph is not issued within twelve (12) months after July 1, 1998, the department shall deny the application for the certificate of need and shall not issue the certificate of need at any time after the twelve-month period, unless the issuance is contested. If the certificate of need is issued and substantial construction of the

nursing facility beds has not commenced within eighteen (18) months after July 1, 1998, the State Department of Health, after a hearing complying with due process, shall revoke the certificate of need if it is still outstanding, and the department shall not issue a license for the nursing facility at any time after the eighteen-month period. Provided, however, that if the issuance of the certificate of need is contested, the department shall require substantial construction of the nursing facility beds within six (6) months after final adjudication on the issuance of the certificate of need.

(ff) The department may issue a certificate of need for the construction of a municipally-owned nursing facility within the Town of Belmont in Tishomingo County, not to exceed sixty (60) beds, provided that the recipient of the certificate of need agrees in writing that the skilled nursing facility will not at any time participate in the Medicaid program (Section 43-13-101 et seq.) or admit or keep any patients in the skilled nursing facility who are participating in the Medicaid program. This written agreement by the recipient of the certificate of need shall be fully binding on any subsequent owner of the skilled nursing facility, if the ownership of the facility is transferred at any time after the issuance of the certificate of need.

Agreement that the skilled nursing facility will not participate in the Medicaid program shall be a condition of the issuance of a certificate of need to any person under this paragraph (ff), and if such skilled nursing facility at any time after the issuance of the certificate of need, regardless of the ownership of the facility, participates in the Medicaid program or admits or keeps any patients in the facility who are participating in the Medicaid program, the State Department of Health shall revoke the certificate of need, if it is still outstanding, and shall deny or revoke the license of the skilled nursing facility, at the time that the department determines, after a hearing complying with due process, that the facility has failed to comply with any of the

conditions upon which the certificate of need was issued, as provided in this paragraph and in the written agreement by the recipient of the certificate of need. The provision of Section 43-7-193(1) regarding substantial compliance of the projection of need as reported in the current State Health Plan is waived for the purposes of this paragraph. If the certificate of need authorized under this paragraph is not issued within twelve (12) months after July 1, 1998, the department shall deny the application for the certificate of need and shall not issue the certificate of need at any time after the twelve-month period, unless the issuance is contested. If the certificate of need is issued and substantial construction of the nursing facility beds has not commenced within eighteen (18) months after July 1, 1998, the State Department of Health, after a hearing complying with due process, shall revoke the certificate of need if it is still outstanding, and the department shall not issue a license for the nursing facility at any time after the eighteen-month period. Provided, however, that if the issuance of the certificate of need is contested, the department shall require substantial construction of the nursing facility beds within six (6) months after final adjudication on the issuance of the certificate of need.

(3) If the holder of the certificate of need that was issued before January 1, 1990, for the construction of a nursing home in Claiborne County has not substantially undertaken commencement of construction by completing site works and pouring foundations and the floor slab of a nursing home in Claiborne County before May 1, 1990, as determined by the department, then the department shall transfer such certificate of need to the Board of Supervisors of Claiborne County upon the effective date of this subsection (3). If the certificate of need is transferred to the board of supervisors, it shall be valid for a period of twelve (12) months and shall authorize the construction of a sixty-bed nursing home on county-owned property or the conversion of vacant hospital beds

in the county hospital not to exceed sixty (60) beds.

(4) The State Department of Health may grant approval for and issue certificates of need to any person proposing the new construction of, addition to, conversion of beds of or expansion of any health care facility defined in subparagraph (x) (psychiatric residential treatment facility) of Section 41-7-173(h). The total number of beds which may be authorized by such certificates of need shall not exceed two hundred seventy-four (274) beds for the entire state.

(a) Of the total number of beds authorized under this subsection, the department shall issue a certificate of need to a privately owned psychiatric residential treatment facility in Simpson County for the conversion of sixteen (16) intermediate care facility for the mentally retarded (ICF-MR) beds to psychiatric residential treatment facility beds, provided that facility agrees in writing that the facility shall give priority for the use of those sixteen (16) beds to Mississippi residents who are presently being treated in out-of-state facilities.

(b) Of the total number of beds authorized under this subsection, the department may issue a certificate or certificates of need for the construction or expansion of psychiatric residential treatment facility beds or the conversion of other beds to psychiatric residential treatment facility beds in Warren County, not to exceed sixty (60) psychiatric residential treatment facility beds, provided that the facility agrees in writing that no more than thirty (30) of the beds at the psychiatric residential treatment facility will be certified for participation in the Medicaid program (Section 43-13-101 et seq.) for the use of any patients other than those who are participating only in the Medicaid program of another state, and that no claim will be submitted to the Division of Medicaid for Medicaid reimbursement for more than thirty (30) patients in the psychiatric residential treatment facility in any day or for any patient in the psychiatric residential treatment facility who is in a bed that is

not Medicaid-certified. This written agreement by the recipient of the certificate of need shall be a condition of the issuance of the certificate of need under this paragraph, and the agreement shall be fully binding on any subsequent owner of the psychiatric residential treatment facility if the ownership of the facility is transferred at any time after the issuance of the certificate of need. After this written agreement is executed, the Division of Medicaid and the State Department of Health shall not certify more than thirty (30) of the beds in the psychiatric residential treatment facility for participation in the Medicaid program for the use of any patients other than those who are participating only in the Medicaid program of another state. If the psychiatric residential treatment facility violates the terms of the written agreement by admitting or keeping in the facility on a regular or continuing basis more than thirty (30) patients who are participating in the Mississippi Medicaid program, the State Department of Health shall revoke the license of the facility, at the time that the department determines, after a hearing complying with due process, that the facility has violated the condition upon which the certificate of need was issued, as provided in this paragraph and in the written agreement.

(c) Of the total number of beds authorized under this subsection, the department shall issue a certificate of need to a hospital currently operating Medicaid-certified acute psychiatric beds for adolescents in DeSoto County, for the establishment of a forty-bed psychiatric residential treatment facility in DeSoto County, provided that the hospital agrees in writing (i) that the hospital shall give priority for the use of those forty (40) beds to Mississippi residents who are presently being treated in out-of-state facilities, and (ii) that no more than fifteen (15) of the beds at the psychiatric residential treatment facility will be certified for participation in the Medicaid program (Section 43-13-101 et seq.), and that no claim will be submitted for Medicaid reimbursement for more than fifteen (15) patients in the

psychiatric residential treatment facility in any day or for any patient in the psychiatric residential treatment facility who is in a bed that is not Medicaid-certified. This written agreement by the recipient of the certificate of need shall be a condition of the issuance of the certificate of need under this paragraph, and the agreement shall be fully binding on any subsequent owner of the psychiatric residential treatment facility if the ownership of the facility is transferred at any time after the issuance of the certificate of need. After this written agreement is executed, the Division of Medicaid and the State Department of Health shall not certify more than fifteen (15) of the beds in the psychiatric residential treatment facility for participation in the Medicaid program. If the psychiatric residential treatment facility violates the terms of the written agreement by admitting or keeping in the facility on a regular or continuing basis more than fifteen (15) patients who are participating in the Medicaid program, the State Department of Health shall revoke the license of the facility, at the time that the department determines, after a hearing complying with due process, that the facility has violated the condition upon which the certificate of need was issued, as provided in this paragraph and in the written agreement.

(d) Of the total number of beds authorized under this subsection, the department may issue a certificate or certificates of need for the construction or expansion of psychiatric residential treatment facility beds or the conversion of other beds to psychiatric treatment facility beds, not to exceed thirty (30) psychiatric residential treatment facility beds, in either Alcorn, Tishomingo, Prentiss, Lee, Itawamba, Monroe, Chickasaw, Pontotoc, Calhoun, Lafayette, Union, Benton or Tippah Counties.

(e) Of the total number of beds authorized under this subsection (4) the department shall issue a certificate of need to a privately owned, nonprofit psychiatric residential treatment facility in Hinds County for an eight-bed expansion of the

917 facility, provided that the facility agrees in writing that the
918 facility shall give priority for the use of those eight (8) beds
919 to Mississippi residents who are presently being treated in
920 out-of-state facilities.

921 (5) (a) From and after July 1, 1993, the department shall
922 not issue a certificate of need to any person for the new
923 construction of any hospital, psychiatric hospital or chemical
924 dependency hospital that will contain any child/adolescent
925 psychiatric or child/adolescent chemical dependency beds, or for
926 the conversion of any other health care facility to a hospital,
927 psychiatric hospital or chemical dependency hospital that will
928 contain any child/adolescent psychiatric or child/adolescent
929 chemical dependency beds, or for the addition of any
930 child/adolescent psychiatric or child/adolescent chemical
931 dependency beds in any hospital, psychiatric hospital or chemical
932 dependency hospital, or for the conversion of any beds of another
933 category in any hospital, psychiatric hospital or chemical
934 dependency hospital to child/adolescent psychiatric or
935 child/adolescent chemical dependency beds, except as hereinafter
936 authorized:

937 (i) The department may issue certificates of need
938 to any person for any purpose described in this subsection,
939 provided that the hospital, psychiatric hospital or chemical
940 dependency hospital does not participate in the Medicaid program
941 (Section 43-13-101 et seq.) at the time of the application for the
942 certificate of need and the owner of the hospital, psychiatric
943 hospital or chemical dependency hospital agrees in writing that
944 the hospital, psychiatric hospital or chemical dependency hospital
945 will not at any time participate in the Medicaid program or admit
946 or keep any patients who are participating in the Medicaid program
947 in the hospital, psychiatric hospital or chemical dependency
948 hospital. This written agreement by the recipient of the
949 certificate of need shall be fully binding on any subsequent owner
950 of the hospital, psychiatric hospital or chemical dependency

hospital, if the ownership of the facility is transferred at any time after the issuance of the certificate of need. Agreement that the hospital, psychiatric hospital or chemical dependency hospital will not participate in the Medicaid program shall be a condition of the issuance of a certificate of need to any person under this subparagraph (a)(i), and if such hospital, psychiatric hospital or chemical dependency hospital at any time after the issuance of the certificate of need, regardless of the ownership of the facility, participates in the Medicaid program or admits or keeps any patients in the hospital, psychiatric hospital or chemical dependency hospital who are participating in the Medicaid program, the State Department of Health shall revoke the certificate of need, if it is still outstanding, and shall deny or revoke the license of the hospital, psychiatric hospital or chemical dependency hospital, at the time that the department determines, after a hearing complying with due process, that the hospital, psychiatric hospital or chemical dependency hospital has failed to comply with any of the conditions upon which the certificate of need was issued, as provided in this subparagraph and in the written agreement by the recipient of the certificate of need.

(ii) The department may issue a certificate of need for the conversion of existing beds in a county hospital in Choctaw County from acute care beds to child/adolescent chemical dependency beds. For purposes of this paragraph, the provisions of Section 41-7-193(1) requiring substantial compliance with the projection of need as reported in the current State Health Plan is waived. The total number of beds that may be authorized under authority of this paragraph shall not exceed twenty (20) beds. There shall be no prohibition or restrictions on participation in the Medicaid program (Section 43-13-101 et seq.) for the hospital receiving the certificate of need authorized under this subparagraph (a)(ii) or for the beds converted pursuant to the authority of that certificate of need.

(iii) The department may issue a certificate or certificates of need for the construction or expansion of child/adolescent psychiatric beds or the conversion of other beds to child/adolescent psychiatric beds in Warren County. For purposes of this subparagraph, the provisions of Section 41-7-193(1) requiring substantial compliance with the projection of need as reported in the current State Health Plan are waived. The total number of beds that may be authorized under the authority of this subparagraph shall not exceed twenty (20) beds.

There shall be no prohibition or restrictions on participation in the Medicaid program (Section 43-13-101 et seq.) for the person receiving the certificate of need authorized under this subparagraph (a)(iii) or for the beds converted pursuant to the authority of that certificate of need.

(iv) The department shall issue a certificate of need to the Region 7 Mental Health/Retardation Commission for the construction or expansion of child/adolescent psychiatric beds or the conversion of other beds to child/adolescent psychiatric beds in any of the counties served by the commission. For purposes of this subparagraph, the provisions of Section 41-7-193(1) requiring substantial compliance with the projection of need as reported in the current State Health Plan is waived. The total number of beds that may be authorized under the authority of this subparagraph shall not exceed twenty (20) beds. There shall be no prohibition or restrictions on participation in the Medicaid program (Section 43-13-101 et seq.) for the person receiving the certificate of need authorized under this subparagraph (a)(iv) or for the beds converted pursuant to the authority of that certificate of need.

(v) The department may issue a certificate of need to any county hospital located in Leflore County for the construction or expansion of adult psychiatric beds or the conversion of other beds to adult psychiatric beds, not to exceed twenty (20) beds, provided that the recipient of the certificate of need agrees in writing that the adult psychiatric beds will not

at any time be certified for participation in the Medicaid program and that the hospital will not admit or keep any patients who are participating in the Medicaid program in any of such adult psychiatric beds. This written agreement by the recipient of the certificate of need shall be fully binding on any subsequent owner of the hospital if the ownership of the hospital is transferred at any time after the issuance of the certificate of need. Agreement that the adult psychiatric beds will not be certified for participation in the Medicaid program shall be a condition of the issuance of a certificate of need to any person under this subparagraph (a)(v), and if such hospital at any time after the issuance of the certificate of need, regardless of the ownership of the hospital, has any of such adult psychiatric beds certified for participation in the Medicaid program or admits or keeps any Medicaid patients in such adult psychiatric beds, the State Department of Health shall revoke the certificate of need, if it is still outstanding, and shall deny or revoke the license of the hospital at the time that the department determines, after a hearing complying with due process, that the hospital has failed to comply with any of the conditions upon which the certificate of need was issued, as provided in this subparagraph and in the written agreement by the recipient of the certificate of need.

(b) From and after July 1, 1990, no hospital, psychiatric hospital or chemical dependency hospital shall be authorized to add any child/adolescent psychiatric or child/adolescent chemical dependency beds or convert any beds of another category to child/adolescent psychiatric or child/adolescent chemical dependency beds without a certificate of need under the authority of subsection (1)(c) of this section.

(6) The department may issue a certificate of need to a county hospital in Winston County for the conversion of fifteen (15) acute care beds to geriatric psychiatric care beds.

(7) The State Department of Health shall issue a certificate of need to a Mississippi corporation qualified to manage a

long-term care hospital as defined in Section 41-7-173(h)(xii) in Harrison County, not to exceed eighty (80) beds, including any necessary renovation or construction required for licensure and certification, provided that the recipient of the certificate of need agrees in writing that the long-term care hospital will not at any time participate in the Medicaid program (Section 43-13-101 et seq.) or admit or keep any patients in the long-term care hospital who are participating in the Medicaid program. This written agreement by the recipient of the certificate of need shall be fully binding on any subsequent owner of the long-term care hospital, if the ownership of the facility is transferred at any time after the issuance of the certificate of need. Agreement that the long-term care hospital will not participate in the Medicaid program shall be a condition of the issuance of a certificate of need to any person under this subsection (7), and if such long-term care hospital at any time after the issuance of the certificate of need, regardless of the ownership of the facility, participates in the Medicaid program or admits or keeps any patients in the facility who are participating in the Medicaid program, the State Department of Health shall revoke the certificate of need, if it is still outstanding, and shall deny or revoke the license of the long-term care hospital, at the time that the department determines, after a hearing complying with due process, that the facility has failed to comply with any of the conditions upon which the certificate of need was issued, as provided in this paragraph and in the written agreement by the recipient of the certificate of need. For purposes of this paragraph, the provision of Section 41-7-193(1) requiring substantial compliance with the projection of need as reported in the current State Health Plan is hereby waived.

(8) The State Department of Health may issue a certificate of need to any hospital in the state to utilize a portion of its beds for the "swing-bed" concept. Any such hospital must be in conformance with the federal regulations regarding such swing-bed

1087 concept at the time it submits its application for a certificate
1088 of need to the State Department of Health, except that such
1089 hospital may have more licensed beds or a higher average daily
1090 census (ADC) than the maximum number specified in federal
1091 regulations for participation in the swing-bed program. Any
1092 hospital meeting all federal requirements for participation in the
1093 swing-bed program which receives such certificate of need shall
1094 render services provided under the swing-bed concept to any
1095 patient eligible for Medicare (Title XVIII of the Social Security
1096 Act) who is certified by a physician to be in need of such
1097 services, and no such hospital shall permit any patient who is
1098 eligible for both Medicaid and Medicare or eligible only for
1099 Medicaid to stay in the swing beds of the hospital for more than
1100 thirty (30) days per admission unless the hospital receives prior
1101 approval for such patient from the Division of Medicaid, Office of
1102 the Governor. Any hospital having more licensed beds or a higher
1103 average daily census (ADC) than the maximum number specified in
1104 federal regulations for participation in the swing-bed program
1105 which receives such certificate of need shall develop a procedure
1106 to insure that before a patient is allowed to stay in the swing
1107 beds of the hospital, there are no vacant nursing home beds
1108 available for that patient located within a fifty-mile radius of
1109 the hospital. When any such hospital has a patient staying in the
1110 swing beds of the hospital and the hospital receives notice from a
1111 nursing home located within such radius that there is a vacant bed
1112 available for that patient, the hospital shall transfer the
1113 patient to the nursing home within a reasonable time after receipt
1114 of the notice. Any hospital which is subject to the requirements
1115 of the two (2) preceding sentences of this paragraph may be
1116 suspended from participation in the swing-bed program for a
1117 reasonable period of time by the State Department of Health if the
1118 department, after a hearing complying with due process, determines
1119 that the hospital has failed to comply with any of those
1120 requirements.

1121 (9) The Department of Health shall not grant approval for or
1122 issue a certificate of need to any person proposing the new
1123 construction of, addition to or expansion of a health care
1124 facility as defined in subparagraph (viii) of Section 41-7-173(h).

1125 (10) The Department of Health shall not grant approval for
1126 or issue a certificate of need to any person proposing the
1127 establishment of, or expansion of the currently approved territory
1128 of, or the contracting to establish a home office, subunit or
1129 branch office within the space operated as a health care facility
1130 as defined in Section 41-7-173(h)(i) through (viii) by a health
1131 care facility as defined in subparagraph (ix) of Section
1132 41-7-173(h).

1133 (11) Health care facilities owned and/or operated by the
1134 state or its agencies are exempt from the restraints in this
1135 section against issuance of a certificate of need if such addition
1136 or expansion consists of repairing or renovation necessary to
1137 comply with the state licensure law. This exception shall not
1138 apply to the new construction of any building by such state
1139 facility. This exception shall not apply to any health care
1140 facilities owned and/or operated by counties, municipalities,
1141 districts, unincorporated areas, other defined persons, or any
1142 combination thereof.

1143 (12) The new construction, renovation or expansion of or
1144 addition to any health care facility defined in subparagraph (ii)
1145 (psychiatric hospital), subparagraph (iv) (skilled nursing
1146 facility), subparagraph (vi) (intermediate care facility),
1147 subparagraph (viii) (intermediate care facility for the mentally
1148 retarded) and subparagraph (x) (psychiatric residential treatment
1149 facility) of Section 41-7-173(h) which is owned by the State of
1150 Mississippi and under the direction and control of the State
1151 Department of Mental Health, and the addition of new beds or the
1152 conversion of beds from one category to another in any such
1153 defined health care facility which is owned by the State of
1154 Mississippi and under the direction and control of the State

Department of Mental Health, shall not require the issuance of a certificate of need under Section 41-7-171 et seq., notwithstanding any provision in Section 41-7-171 et seq. to the contrary.

(13) The new construction, renovation or expansion of or addition to any veterans homes or domiciliaries for eligible veterans of the State of Mississippi as authorized under Section 35-1-19 shall not require the issuance of a certificate of need, notwithstanding any provision in Section 41-7-171 et seq. to the contrary.

(14) The new construction of a nursing facility or nursing facility beds or the conversion of other beds to nursing facility beds shall not require the issuance of a certificate of need, notwithstanding any provision in Section 41-7-171 et seq. to the contrary, if the conditions of this subsection are met.

(a) Before any construction or conversion may be undertaken without a certificate of need, the owner of the nursing facility, in the case of an existing facility, or the applicant to construct a nursing facility, in the case of new construction, first must file a written notice of intent and sign a written agreement with the State Department of Health that the entire nursing facility will not at any time participate in or have any beds certified for participation in the Medicaid program (Section 43-13-101 et seq.), will not admit or keep any patients in the nursing facility who are participating in the Medicaid program, and will not submit any claim for Medicaid reimbursement for any patient in the facility. This written agreement by the owner or applicant shall be a condition of exercising the authority under this subsection without a certificate of need, and the agreement shall be fully binding on any subsequent owner of the nursing facility if the ownership of the facility is transferred at any time after the agreement is signed. After the written agreement is signed, the Division of Medicaid and the State Department of Health shall not certify any beds in the nursing facility for

1189 participation in the Medicaid program. If the nursing facility
1190 violates the terms of the written agreement by participating in
1191 the Medicaid program, having any beds certified for participation
1192 in the Medicaid program, admitting or keeping any patient in the
1193 facility who is participating in the Medicaid program, or
1194 submitting any claim for Medicaid reimbursement for any patient in
1195 the facility, the State Department of Health shall revoke the
1196 license of the nursing facility at the time that the department
1197 determines, after a hearing complying with due process, that the
1198 facility has violated the terms of the written agreement.

1199 (b) For the purposes of this subsection, participation
1200 in the Medicaid program by a nursing facility includes Medicaid
1201 reimbursement of coinsurance and deductibles for recipients who
1202 are qualified Medicare beneficiaries and/or those who are dually
1203 eligible. Any nursing facility exercising the authority under
1204 this subsection may not bill or submit a claim to the Division of
1205 Medicaid for services to qualified Medicare beneficiaries and/or
1206 those who are dually eligible.

1207 (c) The new construction of a nursing facility or
1208 nursing facility beds or the conversion of other beds to nursing
1209 facility beds described in this section must be either a part of a
1210 completely new continuing care retirement community, as described
1211 in the latest edition of the Mississippi State Health Plan, or an
1212 addition to existing personal care and independent living
1213 components, and so that the completed project will be a continuing
1214 care retirement community, containing (i) independent living
1215 accommodations, (ii) personal care beds, and (iii) the nursing
1216 home facility beds. The three (3) components must be located on a
1217 single site and be operated as one (1) inseparable facility. The
1218 nursing facility component must contain a minimum of thirty (30)
1219 beds. Any nursing facility beds authorized by this section will
1220 not be counted against the bed need set forth in the State Health
1221 Plan, as identified in Section 41-7-171, et seq.

1222 This subsection (14) shall stand repealed from and after July

1223 1, 2001.

1224 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from
1225 and after its passage.