DRAFTER'S NOTE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU

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Jeff Grothman:

Please review this draft carefully to ensure that it is consistent with your intent.

This redraft contains the following changes in addition to the changes we discussed on October 21:

- 1. I changed the title of the license from "home medical oxygen supplier" to "home medical oxygen provider." My purpose in replacing "supplier" with "provider" is to avoid any potential confusion with a wholesale distributor's license or a manufacturer's license. To my ear at least, "supplier" sounds closer to both of those than "provider."
- 2. I have included a nonstatutory provision authorizing the board to administer the home medical oxygen provider licensure program on a case-by-case basis prior to the effective date of the rules the board is required to promulgate under the proposal, including rules governing professional conduct.
- 3. I have included a delayed effective date of May 1, 2015 (or the day after publication in the unlikely event May 1, 2015, passes before the bill is enacted), for the requirement under proposed s. 450.076 (2) (a) that a person must be licensed in order to provide medical oxygen to patients. Delaying the licensing requirement provides a cushion for current home medical oxygen providers, allowing them time to get a license before the licensure requirement actually kicks in.

If you have any questions about these changes, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you.

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