## CHAPTER 2017-160

## House Bill No. 6021

An act relating to home health agency licensure; amending s. 400.471, F.S.; repealing a provision prohibiting the Agency for Health Care Administration from issuing an initial license to an applicant for a home health agency license which is located within a certain distance of a licensed home health agency that has common controlling interests; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Subsection (7) of section 400.471, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

400.471 Application for license; fee.—

(7) The agency may not issue an initial license to an applicant for a home health agency license if the applicant shares common controlling interests with another licensed home health agency that is located within 10 miles of the applicant and is in the same county. The agency must return the application and fees to the applicant.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2017.

Approved by the Governor June 23, 2017.

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