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Senate Bill 944 (Substitute S-1 as reported)
Sponsor: Senator Roger Victory
Committee: Health Policy and Human Services

CONTENT

The bill would amend Public Act 47 of 1949, which governs local hospital authorities, to do the following:

- Delete a provision requiring the articles of incorporation of a nonprofit corporation and the contractual arrangements between a hospital authority and the nonprofit corporation to prohibit a nonprofit corporation from selling, leasing, or otherwise transferring a hospital without approval by a majority of voters.
- Allow a nonprofit corporation to sell, lease, or otherwise transfer a hospital on terms and conditions reasonable by the nonprofit corporation if the sale, lease, or other transfer of the hospital by the nonprofit were approved by the hospital authority.
- Delete a provision requiring the articles of incorporation of a nonprofit corporation and the contractual arrangements between a hospital authority and the nonprofit corporation to require a nonprofit corporation to adopt and carry out policies designed to ensure that hospital care is provided to a reasonable degree to indigent people in its hospital service area free of charge and that patients not be denied appropriate care on the basis of source of payment.
- Allow a hospital board, by a vote of the majority of the entire board, to provide for the dissolution of a hospital authority if the hospital authority had completed the purposes for which it was organized.

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Legislative Analyst: Stephen P. Jackson

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on the State and no direct fiscal impact on local governments. The bill's provisions would give hospital authorities more flexibility to dispose of property. Any fiscal impact would be limited to the hospital authority and would depend on decisions made by that authority.

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