

**BILL SUMMARY**  
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<b>Bill No.:</b>	<b>HB 2780</b>
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<b>Impact:</b>	<b>Minimal</b>

**Research Analysis**

The CS to HB 2780 requires short-term emergency and nonemergency hybrid medical facilities to be licensed by the State Department of Health. The measure defines *short-term emergency and nonemergency hybrid medical facility* as a dual-sided facility that is open 24/7 with one side providing emergency care and one side providing nonemergency care. Facilities are prohibited in: cities with an established hospital and population smaller than 30,000, and cities with a population greater than 75,000. The measure outlines facilities exempt from the licensure requirement, including facilities connected to a hospital.

Facilities must meet certain standards for licensure, including meeting staffing and construction requirements. Further, facilities must enter into a referral agreement with a licensed hospital before accepting a patient for treatment. Applicants must pay an initial and renewal fee for licensure, with all fees collected to be deposited into the newly created Short-term Emergency and Nonemergency Hybrid Medical Facility Licensing Fund. The State Department of Health is authorized to perform inspections to ensure compliance, and may take disciplinary action against facilities not in compliance, including license revocation or fine not to exceed \$5,000. The State Commissioner of Health is directed to promulgate rules.

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**Fiscal Analysis**

Per the Health Department, the costs would minimal; fee would cover licensure and inspectors.

**Other Considerations**

None.