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FLOOR AMENDMENT NO. _____

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1 Amend C.S.S.B. No. 8 (house committee report) as follows:

2 (1) On page 8, line 5, between "241.010" and the underlined
3 comma, insert "and except as provided by Section 697.0085".

4 (2) On page 10, between lines 4 and 5, insert the following:

5 Sec. 697.0085. EXCEPTIONS. (a) A health care facility is
6 not required to comply with this chapter or a rule adopted under
7 this chapter if:

8 (1) compliance would violate a sincerely held
9 religious belief of an owner of the facility; or

10 (2) the pregnant woman asserts that compliance would
11 violate a sincerely held religious belief of the woman.

12 (b) An employee of a health care facility is not required to
13 comply with this chapter or a rule adopted under this chapter if
14 compliance would violate a sincerely held religious belief of the
15 employee.

16 (c) A person who asserts the person was acting in accordance
17 with an accommodation provided by this section is not subject to an
18 administrative penalty under Section 697.007 or a civil penalty
19 under Section 697.008 for failure to comply with this chapter or a
20 rule adopted under this chapter.