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Sub. Bill Comparative Synopsis

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This table summarizes how the latest substitute version of the bill differs from the immediately preceding version. It addresses only the topics on which the two versions differ substantively. It does not list topics on which the two bills are substantively the same.

Topic	Previous Version (As Introduced)	Sub. Version (L_132_1699-1)
Recognition of stroke centers and acute stroke ready hospitals (<i>R.C. 3727.12 and 3727.13</i>)	<p>Allows a hospital meeting certain eligibility requirements to be recognized by the Ohio Department of Health (ODH) as a comprehensive stroke center, primary stroke center, or acute stroke ready hospital.</p> <p>To be eligible for ODH recognition, requires a hospital to be certified by the American Heart Association, Joint Commission, or another organization acceptable to ODH.</p>	<p>Same.</p> <p>Instead requires a hospital to be certified by an accrediting organization approved by the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) or another organization acceptable to ODH.</p>
Representation as stroke centers and acute ready hospitals (<i>R.C. 3727.11</i>)	Prohibits a hospital from representing itself as a comprehensive or primary stroke center or acute stroke ready hospital unless it is recognized as such by ODH.	Same, but specifies that the bill does not prohibit a hospital from representing itself as having a relationship or affiliation with a comprehensive or primary stroke center or acute stroke ready hospital recognized by ODH.
Future levels of certification	No provision.	If an accrediting organization approved by CMS or an organization that certifies hospitals in accordance with nationally recognized

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		<p>guidelines establishes a level of certification that is in addition to the three levels provided for in the bill, requires ODH to recognize a hospital certified at that additional level.</p> <p>In the event of an additional level of certification, also requires ODH and the hospital to comply with the bill's provisions as if the certification and recognition were one of the three levels described in the bill.</p> <p><i>(R.C. 3727.15)</i></p>
Written protocols – emergency medical service personnel	<p>Requires each regional director or regional advisory board for each of the state's emergency medical services regions to establish written protocols for use by emergency medical service personnel when assessing, treating, and transporting stroke patient.</p> <p>Requires protocols to include procedures for transporting stroke patients to the closest hospital recognized by ODH and within a specified time period after the onset of symptoms.</p> <p><i>(R.C. 4765.051)</i></p>	<p>Instead requires the medical director or cooperating physician advisory board of each emergency medical service organization to establish the protocols. Also requires the protocols to be developed in consultation with local hospitals.</p> <p><i>(R.C. 4765.401)</i></p> <p>No provision.</p>

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