

MEMBER: Roy O. Martin **PROPOSAL#** Martin #27 **REFERRED TO AG on:** _____
SUBJECT: Public hospital system **DATE REPORTED BY AG:** _____ **REPORT:** _____
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RECOMMENDATION: Inpatient capacity can be absorbed by the community hospitals in certain markets, with a renewed investment being made in outpatient and primary care access. These models should be explored on a case by case basis in each community. In those communities where these models would be successful, the state should evolve the system to meet the needs of that community while optimizing the existing complement of non-public beds in that market. This Commissioner recommends that Huey P. Long Medical Center be the first to be evaluated under this policy and directs that an RFP be written to outsource the acute and inpatient care for that Medical Center while planning for an outpatient clinic either within the current Huey P. Long Medical Center structure or using private providers using the DSH funds available in the future allocated between the inpatient and outpatient services.