

Requested by Senator HAYDEN

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
A-ENGROSSED SENATE BILL 1168**

1 On page 2 of the printed A-engrossed bill, delete lines 8 and 9.

2 Delete lines 14 through 20 and insert:

3 “(4)(a) Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit a home
4 health agency or hospice program from establishing productivity standards
5 regarding the number of patient visits required to be made or the number
6 of patients required to be served by home health care staff or home hospice
7 care staff.

8 “(b) If a home health agency or hospice program establishes productivity
9 standards as described in paragraph (a) of this subsection, the home health
10 agency or hospice program shall establish procedures by which a home
11 health care staff person or home hospice care staff person may request an
12 exemption from meeting the productivity standards. The procedures under
13 this paragraph must ensure that exemption determinations are:

14 “(A) Based upon the individualized needs and care goals of the patients
15 served by the home health care staff person or home hospice care staff per-
16 son; and

17 “(B) Made by a supervisor of the home health agency or hospice program
18 who has clinical expertise in the relevant type of patient care that is being
19 considered.”.