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By Assemblymen VANDER PLAAT and KEAN

(Without Reference)

AN ACT to amend the Health Care Facilities Planning Act.

1 BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State 2 of New Jersey:

1 1. Section 8 of the Health Care Facilities Planning Act is 2 amended to read as follows:

8. No certificate of need shall be issued unless the action pro-3 posed in the application for such certificate is necessary to provide 4  $\mathbf{5}$ required health care in the area to be served, can be economically accomplished and maintained, and will contribute to the orderly 6 7 development of adequate and effective health care services. In making such determinations there shall be taken into consideration 8 (a) the availability of facilities or services which may serve as 9 alternatives or substitutes, (b) the need for special equipment and 10services in the area, (c) the possible economies and improvement 11 in services to be anticipated from the operation of joint central 12services, (d) the adequacy of financial resources and sources of 1314 present and future revenues, (e) the availability of sufficient manpower in the several professional disciplines, and (f) such other 15 factors as may be established by regulation. The commissioner 16shall cause appropriate surveys and studies to be made concerning 17the need for health care facilities and keep current records and 18 19statistics thereon by designated areas or regions of the State.

In the case of an application by a health care facility established or operated by any recognized religious body or denomination the needs of the members of such religious body or denomination for care and treatment in accordance with their religious or ethical convictions may be considered to be public need.

1 2. This act shall take effect immediately.