



**RON DESANTIS**  
GOVERNOR

June 24, 2022

Secretary Cord Byrd  
Secretary of State  
R.A. Gray Building  
500 South Bronough Street  
Tallahassee, Florida 32399

Dear Secretary Byrd:

By the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Florida, under the provisions of Article III, Section 8, of the Constitution of Florida, I do hereby veto and transmit my objection to Committee Substitute Senate Bill 1260 (CS/SB 1260), enacted during the 124<sup>th</sup> Session of the Legislature of Florida, during the Regular Session of 2022 and entitled:

**An act relating to Independent Hospital Districts**

As Governor, I have approved local legislation for independent hospital districts. CS/SB 1260 intends to solve a priority of one independent hospital district through broad statewide policy changes, rather than through the local bill process. Florida's public hospitals serve our medically indigent population and support the state share of the low-income pool. Under these circumstances, each policy change to the governance structure of our independent hospital districts should be reviewed on a district-by-district basis.

For this reason, I withhold my approval of CS/SB 1260 and do hereby veto the same.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Ron DeSantis".

Ron DeSantis  
Governor

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