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Bill Analysis

SB 222 creates the Maternity Care Pilot Program under the State Department of Health. The Department is directed to select 1 hospital to receive a \$5 million one-time grant to support the addition of labor and delivery services. The hospital must be designated as a critical access hospital, be organized as a charitable hospital, be owned by a political subdivision, been profitable for 2 consecutive years, have space to offer labor services but not currently offer labor services, and have at least 1 Certified Nurse-Midwife (CNM). The grant shall be used to hire staff, acquire equipment, and provide educational classes related to maternal and infant health.

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