Floor Amendment to HB 1604-FN

Amend the title of the bill by replacing it with the following:

AN ACT including state medical facilities in the statute providing medical freedom in immunizations, and relative to licensure of case management service providers.

Amend the bill by inserting after section 1 the following and renumbering the original section 2 to read as 3:

2 Home Health Care Provider; Reference to Case Management Agency Added. Amend RSA 151:2-b, I to read as follows:

I. "Home health care provider" means any organization, business entity, or subdivision thereof, including a case management agency, whether public or private, whether operated for profit or not, which is engaged in arranging or providing, directly or through contract arrangement, one or more of the following: nursing services, home health aide services, or other therapeutic and related services which may include, but shall not be limited to, physical and occupational therapy, speech pathology, nutritional services, medical social services, personal care services, and homemaker services, which may be of a preventive, therapeutic, rehabilitative, health guidance or supportive nature to persons in their places of residence.
This bill requires state hospitals and medical facilities to grant religious and medical exemptions from vaccination requirements, provided that any request for a medical exemption shall include the supporting documentation required by federal regulation. The bill also includes case management agencies in the definition of home health care providers licensed as health facilities.