

May 9, 2006

H 1858. FUNDS FOR RURAL HOSPITAL OPERATIONS/MAINT. Filed 5/9/06. *TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES FOR OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE ASSISTANCE TO SMALL RURAL HOSPITALS.*

Appropriates \$6 million for 2006-07 from the General Fund to the Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Rural Health and Community Care (ORHCC) as title indicates. Funds may be used for capital and operational needs of small rural hospitals and pilot demonstration programs that address issues critical to the long-term survivability of rural hospitals. ORHCC must report on allocation of funds to the Fiscal Research Division and the Senate and House appropriations committees for health and human services by April 1, 2007. Effective July 1, 2006.

Intro. by Nye.

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