

1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to the Department of Juvenile
3 Justice and the Department of Children and
4 Family Services; providing for waiver of
5 specified provisions of law; directing the
6 department to consult with the Executive Office
7 of the Governor in implementing waiver
8 authority; requiring a report and monthly
9 status reports; requiring a comprehensive
10 reorganization plan; requiring the Department
11 of Children and Family Services and the
12 Department of Juvenile Justice to develop and
13 submit to the Legislature a proposed plan to
14 realign the boundaries of the districts of
15 those departments; specifying that other
16 statutory responsibilities or related rules are
17 not impaired; providing an effective date.

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19 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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21 Section 1. (1) The following provisions of section
22 20.19, Florida Statutes, 1998 Supplement, are waived until
23 July 1, 2000, for the purpose of allowing the Department of
24 Children and Family Services to organize programs, districts,
25 and functions of the department to achieve more effective and
26 efficient service delivery and improve accountability,
27 notwithstanding the provisions of section 20.04, Florida
28 Statutes:

29 (a) Section 20.19(2)(b) and (f) Florida Statutes, 1998
30 Supplement, relating to the secretary and deputy secretary.
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1 (b) Section 20.19(3), Florida Statutes, 1998
2 Supplement, relating to the Office of Standards and
3 Evaluation.

4 (c) Section 20.19(5)(a), Florida Statutes, 1998
5 Supplement, relating to program offices.

6 (d) Section 20.19(6)(a), (c), and (d), Florida
7 Statutes, 1998 Supplement, relating to the Assistant Secretary
8 for Administration.

9 (e) Section 20.19(8)(l), (m), (n), and (o), Florida
10 Statutes, 1998 Supplement, relating to health and human
11 services boards.

12 (f) Section 20.19(9), Florida Statutes, 1998
13 Supplement, relating to district nominee qualifications review
14 committees.

15 (g) Section 20.19(10), (a), (b), (c)1.-7., (d), (e),
16 (f), and (g), Florida Statutes, 1998 Supplement, relating to
17 the district administrator.

18 (h) Section 20.19(12)(d), Florida Statutes, 1998
19 Supplement, relating to the departmental budget.

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21 Actions taken under the authority granted by this section must
22 be taken in consultation with the Executive Office of the
23 Governor. The secretary shall submit a report describing
24 actions taken and additional plans for implementing the
25 provisions of this section to the Governor, the President of
26 the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by
27 thirty days after this bill becomes law. The department shall
28 submit status reports on a monthly basis through December
29 1999.

30 (2) The secretary shall submit a comprehensive
31 reorganization plan to the Governor, the President of the

1 Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by
2 January 1, 2000. The comprehensive reorganization plan must
3 describe the organizational and program restructuring
4 activities that have occurred since the effective date of this
5 act, including indications of an improved ability to carry out
6 the department's mission under section 20.19(1), Florida
7 Statutes, 1998 Supplement, and any organizational
8 efficiencies. The plan must also describe what strategies
9 proved to be ineffective or inefficient. The plan must include
10 any recommendations for reorganization, including program and
11 organizational restructuring and any statutory revisions.

12 (3) The provisions of this act shall not impair the
13 operation of any other statutory responsibilities, or the
14 rules adopted thereunder, which are specifically conferred by
15 statute until such statutes or rules are specifically amended
16 or repealed in the manner provided by law.

17 Section 2. (1) The following provisions of section
18 20.316, Florida Statutes, 1998 Supplement, are waived until
19 July 1, 2000, for the purpose of allowing the Department of
20 Juvenile Justice to organize programs, districts, and
21 functions of the department to achieve more effective and
22 efficient service delivery and improve accountability,
23 notwithstanding the provisions of section 20.04, Florida
24 Statutes:

25 (a) Section 20.316(2), Florida Statutes, 1998
26 Supplement, relating to the Deputy Secretary of Operations.

27 (b) Section 20.316(3), Florida Statutes, 1998
28 Supplement, relating to the Assistant Secretary of Programming
29 and Planning.

30 (c) Section 20.316(4), Florida Statutes, 1998
31 Supplement, relating to service districts.

1 (d) Section 20.316(5), Florida Statutes, 1998
2 Supplement, relating to commitment regions.

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4 Actions taken under the authority granted by this section must
5 be taken in consultation with the Executive Office of the
6 Governor. The secretary shall submit a report describing
7 actions taken and additional plans for implementing the
8 provisions of this section to the Governor, President of the
9 Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives 30
10 days after this act becomes law. The department shall submit
11 status reports on a monthly basis through December 1999.

12 (2) The secretary shall submit a report describing
13 actions taken and additional plans for implementing the
14 provisions of this section to the Governor, the President of
15 the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by
16 September 1, 1999. The secretary shall submit a comprehensive
17 reorganization plan to the Governor, the President of the
18 Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by
19 January 1, 2000. The comprehensive reorganization plan must
20 describe the organizational and program restructuring
21 activities that have occurred since the effective date of this
22 act, including indications of an improved ability to carry out
23 the department's mission under section 20.316, Florida
24 Statutes, and any organizational efficiencies. The plan must
25 also describe what strategies proved to be ineffective or
26 inefficient. The plan must include any recommendations for
27 reorganization, including program and organizational
28 restructuring and any statutory revisions.

29 Section 3. The Department of Children and Family
30 Services and the Department of Juvenile Justice, in
31 consultation with the Office of the State Courts

1 Administrator, shall develop a proposed plan to realign the
2 districts of each department so that the district boundaries
3 are consistent with the boundaries of the judicial circuits.
4 The plan may not propose more than 15 districts for each
5 department and must include, as at least one alternative, a
6 proposal for fewer than 15 districts. The proposed plan must
7 be submitted to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of
8 the House of Representatives by December 1, 1999.

9 Section 4. The provisions of this act shall not impair
10 the operation of any other statutory responsibilities, or the
11 rules adopted thereunder, which are specifically conferred by
12 statute until such statutes or rules are specifically amended
13 or repealed in the manner provided by law.

14 Section 5. This act shall take effect upon becoming a
15 law.