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Senator Clary moved the following amendment:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

On page 27, between lines 11 and 12,

and insert:

Section 28. PUBLIC CORD BLOOD TISSUE BANK.--

(1) There is established a statewide consortium to be known as the Public Cord Blood Tissue Bank. The Public Cord Blood Tissue Bank is established as a nonprofit legal entity to collect, screen for infectious and genetic diseases, perform tissue typing, cryopreserve, and store umbilical cord blood as a resource to the public. The University of Florida, the University of South Florida, the University of Miami, and the Mayo Clinic, Jacksonville shall jointly form the collaborative consortium, each working with community resources such as regional blood banks, hospitals, and other health care providers to develop local and regional coalitions for the purposes set forth in this act. The consortium participants shall align their outreach programs and activities to all geographic areas of the state, covering the

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1 entire state. The consortium is encouraged to conduct  
2 outreach and research for Hispanics, African Americans, Native  
3 Americans, and other ethnic and racial minorities.

4 (2) The Agency for Health Care Administration and the  
5 Department of Health shall encourage health care providers,  
6 including, but not limited to, hospitals, birthing facilities,  
7 county health departments, physicians, midwives, and nurses,  
8 to disseminate information about the Public Cord Blood Tissue  
9 Bank.

10 (3) Nothing in this section creates a requirement of  
11 any health care or services program that is directly  
12 affiliated with a bona fide religious denomination that  
13 includes as an integral part of its beliefs and practices the  
14 tenet that blood transfer is contrary to the moral principles  
15 the denomination considers to be an essential part of its  
16 beliefs.

17 (4) Any health care facility or health care provider  
18 receiving financial remuneration for the collection of  
19 umbilical cord blood shall provide written disclosure of this  
20 information to any woman postpartum or parent of a newborn  
21 from whom the umbilical cord blood is collected prior to the  
22 harvesting of the umbilical cord blood.

23 (5) A woman admitted to a hospital or birthing  
24 facility for obstetrical services may be offered the  
25 opportunity to donate umbilical cord blood to the Public Cord  
26 Blood Tissue Bank. A woman may not be required to make such a  
27 donation.

28 (6) The consortium may charge reasonable rates and  
29 fees to recipients of cord blood tissue bank products.

30 (7) In order to fund the provisions of this section  
31 the consortium participants, the Agency for Health Care

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1 Administration, and the Department of Health shall seek  
 2 private or federal funds to initiate program actions for  
 3 fiscal year 2000-2001.

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 5 (Redesignate subsequent sections.)

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9 And the title is amended as follows:

10            On page 2, line 3, after the semicolon

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 12 insert:

13            creating the Public Cord Blood Tissue Bank as a  
 14            statewide consortium; providing purposes,  
 15            membership, and duties of the consortium;  
 16            providing duties of the Agency for Health Care  
 17            Administration and the Department of Health;  
 18            providing an exception from provisions of the  
 19            act; requiring specified written disclosure by  
 20            certain health care facilities and providers;  
 21            specifying that donation under the act is  
 22            voluntary; authorizing the consortium to charge  
 23            fees;

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