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11	Senator Mitchell moved the following amendment:		
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13	Senate Amendment (with title amendment)		
14	On page 32, line 31,		
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16	insert:		
17	Section 15. Paragraph (b) of subsection (3) of section		
18	409.145, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:		
19	409.145 Care of children.--		
20	(3)		
21	(b) The services of the foster care program shall		
22	continue for those individuals 18 to 21 years of age only for		
23	the period of time the individual is continuously enrolled in		
24	high school, in a program leading to a high school equivalency		
25	diploma as defined in s. 229.814, or in a full-time career		
26	education program. Services shall be terminated upon		
27	completion of or withdrawal or permanent expulsion from high		
28	school, the program leading to a high school equivalency		
29	diploma, or the full-time career education program. <u>In</u>		
30	<u>addition, the department may, based upon the availability of</u>		
31	<u>funds, provide assistance to those individuals who leave</u>		

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1 foster care when they attain 18 years of age and subsequently
 2 request assistance prior to their 21st birthday. The following
 3 are examples of assistance that may be provided: referrals for
 4 employment, services for educational or vocational
 5 development, and housing assistance.

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7 (Redesignate subsequent sections.)

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11 And the title is amended as follows:

12 On page 2, line 20, after the semicolon,

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14 insert:

15 amending s. 409.145, F.S.; authorizing the
 16 Department of Children and Family Services to
 17 provide additional assistance for certain
 18 individuals leaving foster care;

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