

By Senator Carlton

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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to court-appointed counsel;
amending s. 39.013, F.S.; making state payment
of court-appointed counsel representing
indigent parents at shelter hearings permissive
rather than mandatory; providing an effective
date.

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

Section 1. Subsection (11) of section 39.013, Florida
Statutes, is amended to read:

39.013 Procedures and jurisdiction; right to
counsel.--

(11) Court-appointed counsel representing indigent
parents at shelter hearings may ~~shall~~ be paid from state funds
appropriated by general law.

Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a
law.

HOUSE SUMMARY

Makes state payment of court-appointed counsel
representing indigent parents at shelter hearings
permissive rather than mandatory.