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2 An act relating to supportive housing;  
3 directing the Secretary of Children and Family  
4 Services to establish a workgroup to review  
5 issues associated with services and supports  
6 provided through state-funded supportive  
7 housing; providing for membership and staff of  
8 the workgroup; requiring the workgroup to  
9 prepare recommendations; requiring inclusion of  
10 recommendations in the state plan; providing an  
11 effective date.

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

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15 Section 1. The Secretary of Children and Family  
16 Services shall establish a workgroup for the purposes of  
17 reviewing issues associated with services and supports  
18 provided through state-funded supportive housing and  
19 developing legislative recommendations for state-funded  
20 supportive housing living arrangements. The workgroup shall  
21 address development of administrative rules regarding:

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(1) The definition of supportive housing services;

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(2) Consumer health and safety; and

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(3) The use of subsidies funded by the Department of

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Children and Family Services.

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27 The Secretary of Children and Family Services shall ensure  
28 that representatives participate in the workgroup from the  
29 department and from the Agency for Health Care Administration,  
30 the Florida Health Care Association, the Florida Assisted  
31 Living Affiliation, the Florida Association of Homes for the

1 Aging, the Florida Council for Behavioral Healthcare, Inc.,  
2 the National Alliance for the Mentally Ill, the Florida  
3 Advocacy Center for Persons with Disabilities, Inc., the  
4 Florida Coalitions for the Homeless, the Florida Housing  
5 Coalition, Florida AIDS Action, the Florida Hospital  
6 Association, the Florida Long-Term Care Ombudsman, the Florida  
7 Statewide Advocacy Council, the Florida Sheriffs Association,  
8 the Florida Psychiatric Society, the Department of Elderly  
9 Affairs, the Florida Mental Health Counselors Association, and  
10 the Florida Association of Counties. The workgroup shall be  
11 staffed by the Department of Children and Family Services.  
12 Each member of the workgroup shall serve at his or her own  
13 expense. The workgroup shall prepare recommendations no later  
14 than November 2002, and shall include recommendations in the  
15 January 2003 update to the mental health and substance abuse  
16 state master plan.

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