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2 An act relating to the Jessie Trice Cancer  
3 Prevention Program within the Department of  
4 Health; amending s. 381.91, F.S.; expanding the  
5 program statewide; deleting references to pilot  
6 programs; providing an effective date.  
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8 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:  
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10 Section 1. Section 381.91, Florida Statutes, is  
11 amended to read:

12 381.91 Jessie Trice Cancer Prevention Program.--

13 (1) It is the intent of the Legislature to:

14 (a) Reduce the rates of illness and death from lung  
15 cancer and other cancers and improve the quality of life among  
16 low-income African-American and Hispanic populations through  
17 increased access to early, effective screening and diagnosis,  
18 education, and treatment programs.

19 (b) Create a community faith-based disease-prevention  
20 program in conjunction with the Health Choice Network and  
21 other community health centers to build upon the natural  
22 referral and education networks in place within minority  
23 communities and to increase access to health service delivery  
24 in ~~South~~ Florida.

25 (c) Establish a funding source to build upon local  
26 private participation to sustain the operation of the program.

27 (2)(a) There is created the Jessie Trice Cancer  
28 Prevention Program, to be located, for administrative  
29 purposes, within the Department of Health, and operated from  
30 the community health centers within the Health Choice Network  
31 in ~~South~~ Florida.

1           (b) Funding may ~~will~~ be provided to develop contracts  
2 with community health centers and local community faith-based  
3 education programs to provide cancer screening, diagnosis,  
4 education, and treatment services to low-income populations  
5 throughout the state. ~~Pilot programs will be initially created~~  
6 ~~in the communities of Goulds, Naranja, Coconut Grove, Liberty~~  
7 ~~City, and East Little Havana in Dade County and Dunbar in Lee~~  
8 ~~County.~~

9           Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2004.

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