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Senator Bullard moved the following amendment:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

On page 52, between lines 19 and 20,

insert:

Section 47. Pilot program; Monroe County.--

(1) The Legislature has determined that insurers and managed care organizations are unable to provide adequate or affordable health insurance coverage in rural counties and other isolated areas of the state. It is therefore necessary to explore alternatives for making affordable health insurance coverage available in rural counties and other similar areas of the state.

(2) An entity in Monroe County, established pursuant to section 381.0406, Florida Statutes, may, through a nonprofit corporation, establish a self-insurance plan approved by the Office of Insurance Regulation in accordance with section 112.08 (2)(b), Florida Statutes, to insure residents of a rural county or similar area if the residents are unable to obtain adequate or affordable health insurance

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1 coverage. Premiums charged by the self-insurance plan for
2 participating residents or employers shall be actuarially
3 sound. In reviewing such a self-insurance plan, the office
4 shall consult with the Department of Health to confirm that
5 the program is consistent with the purpose and scope of
6 chapter 381, Florida Statutes.

7 (3) The entity in Monroe County which establishes this
8 program shall, in addition to the reporting requirements set
9 forth in section 112.08(2)(b), Florida Statutes, prepare an
10 evaluation of the pilot program, including recommendations for
11 the future of the program, and submit the report to the
12 Governor, the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the
13 House of Representatives, the Department of Health, and the
14 office no later than January 1, 2006.

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16 (Redesignate subsequent sections.)

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19 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

20 And the title is amended as follows:

21 On page 5, line 20, after the semicolon,
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23 insert:
24 authorizing a pilot program to be established
25 by a rural health network in Monroe County;
26 providing for approval by the Office of
27 Insurance Regulation of the Financial Services
28 Commission; requiring a report by a specified
29 date;

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