



1 mortality, while advancing scientific endeavors in this state,  
2 making this state a world-class leader in cancer research and  
3 treatment. Further, it is the intent of the Legislature to  
4 support Alzheimer's disease research statewide through the  
5 awarding of research grants on a competitive basis.  
6 Additionally, it is the intent of the Legislature to stimulate  
7 dramatic economic development, particularly in the biotech  
8 industry, through investment in this state's biomedical  
9 research.

10 Section 2. Subsection (1) of section 561.121, Florida  
11 Statutes, is amended to read:

12 561.121 Deposit of revenue.--

13 (1) All state funds collected pursuant to ss. 563.05,  
14 564.06, and 565.12 shall be paid into the State Treasury and  
15 disbursed in the following manner:

16 (a)1. Two percent of monthly collections of the excise  
17 taxes on alcoholic beverages established in ss. 563.05,  
18 564.06, and 565.12 shall be deposited into the Alcoholic  
19 Beverage and Tobacco Trust Fund to meet the division's  
20 appropriation for the state fiscal year.

21 ~~2. Beginning July 1, 2004, there is annually~~  
22 ~~distributed \$15 million to the Grants and Donations Trust Fund~~  
23 ~~within the Department of Elderly Affairs, and these funds are~~  
24 ~~annually appropriated to support a contract with the Johnnie~~  
25 ~~B. Byrd, Sr., Alzheimer's Center and Research Institute at the~~  
26 ~~University of South Florida for the purposes of conducting~~  
27 ~~research, developing and operating integrated data projects,~~  
28 ~~and providing assistance to memory disorder clinics as~~  
29 ~~established in s. 430.502.~~

30 ~~2.3.~~ Beginning July 1, 2004, there is annually  
31 distributed \$6 million to the Biomedical Research Trust Fund

1 within the Department of Health, and these funds are annually  
2 appropriated to the James and Esther King Biomedical Research  
3 Program. ~~From these funds, up to \$250,000 shall be available~~  
4 ~~annually for the operating costs of the Florida Center for~~  
5 ~~Universal Research to Eradicate Disease.~~

6 3. Beginning July 1, 2005, there is annually  
7 distributed \$9 million to the Department of Health, and these  
8 funds are annually appropriated to the Florida Center for  
9 Universal Research to Eradicate Disease to provide grants to  
10 researchers seeking cures for cancer, with emphasis given to  
11 the goals enumerated in s. 381.921 as those goals inure to the  
12 advancement of such cures. From these funds, up to \$200,000  
13 shall be available annually for administration of the grant  
14 program.

15 4. Beginning July 1, 2005, there is annually  
16 distributed \$15 million to the Department of Health, and these  
17 funds are annually appropriated to the Florida Center for  
18 Universal Research to Eradicate Disease to provide grants to  
19 researchers seeking cures for Alzheimer's disease. From these  
20 funds, up to \$200,000 shall be available annually for  
21 administration of the grant program and up to \$250,000 shall  
22 be available annually for the operating costs of the Florida  
23 Center for Universal Research to Eradicate Disease.

24 ~~4. Beginning July 1, 2004, there is annually~~  
25 ~~distributed \$9 million to be paid by warrant drawn by the~~  
26 ~~Chief Financial Officer upon the State Treasury to Florida~~  
27 ~~State University for the School of Chiropractic Medicine.~~  
28 ~~Notwithstanding the provisions of chapter 216, until the~~  
29 ~~School of Chiropractic Medicine is completely staffed and~~  
30 ~~fully operational, these funds may be used for any purpose by~~  
31 ~~the university.~~

1           (b) The remainder of collection shall be credited to  
2 the General Revenue Fund.

3           Section 3. Section 381.855, Florida Statutes, is  
4 amended to read:

5           381.855 Florida Center for Universal Research to  
6 Eradicate Disease.--

7           (1) The Legislature finds that an estimated 128  
8 million Americans suffer from acute, chronic, and degenerative  
9 diseases and that biomedical research is the key to finding  
10 cures for these diseases that negatively affect all  
11 Floridians. The Legislature further finds that, while there is  
12 much research being conducted throughout this state and  
13 throughout the world, there is a lack of coordination of  
14 efforts among researchers. The Legislature, therefore, finds  
15 that there is a significant need for a coordinated effort if  
16 the goal of curing disease is to be achieved. Moreover, the  
17 Legislature finds that the biomedical technology sector meets  
18 the criteria of a high-impact sector, pursuant to s. 288.108,  
19 having a high importance to this state's economy with a  
20 significant potential for growth and contribution to our  
21 universities and quality of life.

22           (2) It is the intent of the Legislature that Florida  
23 strive to become the nation's leader in biomedical research  
24 and commit itself to being the state to find cures for the  
25 most deadly and widespread diseases. It is further the intent  
26 of the Legislature that there be a coordinated effort among  
27 the state's public and private universities and the biomedical  
28 industry to discover such cures. Moreover, it is the intent of  
29 the Legislature to expand the state economy by attracting  
30 biomedical researchers and research companies to this state.

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1           (3) There is established within the Department of  
2 Health the Florida Center for Universal Research to Eradicate  
3 Disease, which shall be known as "CURED."

4           (a) The purpose of the center is to coordinate,  
5 improve, expand, and monitor all biomedical research programs  
6 within the state, provide grants for cancer research and  
7 Alzheimer's disease research, facilitate funding  
8 opportunities, and foster improved technology transfer of  
9 research findings into clinical trials and widespread public  
10 use.

11           (b) The goal of the center is to find cures for  
12 diseases such as cancer, heart disease, lung disease,  
13 diabetes, autoimmune disorders, and neurological disorders,  
14 including Alzheimer's disease, epilepsy, and Parkinson's  
15 disease.

16           (c) The center shall hold an annual biomedical  
17 technology summit in Florida to which biomedical researchers,  
18 biomedical technology companies, business incubators,  
19 pharmaceutical manufacturers, and others around the nation and  
20 world are invited to share biomedical research findings in  
21 order to expedite the discovery of cures. Summit attendees  
22 shall cover the costs of such attendance or obtain sponsorship  
23 for such attendance.

24           (d) The center shall encourage clinical trials in this  
25 state on research that holds promise of curing a disease or  
26 condition. The center shall facilitate partnerships between  
27 researchers, treating physicians, and community hospitals for  
28 the purpose of sharing new techniques and new research  
29 findings, as well as coordinating voluntary donations to  
30 ensure an adequate supply of adult stem cells, placentas, or  
31 cord blood.

1           (e) The center shall facilitate the formation of  
2 partnerships between researchers in this state and  
3 institutions in other states and countries where research with  
4 rare plants or animals could lead to cures.

5           (f) The center shall encourage agricultural colleges  
6 and agricultural businesses in this state to be active in the  
7 search for cures and in providing information to the public  
8 about disease prevention.

9           (g) The center shall facilitate partnerships among  
10 researchers working to cure all types of diseases, including  
11 those that are prevalent in developed countries and those that  
12 occur mainly in developing countries.

13           (h) The center shall also encourage the discovery and  
14 production in Florida of vaccines that prevent disease.

15           (i) The center shall monitor the supply and demand  
16 needs of researchers relating to stem cell research and other  
17 types of human tissue research. If the center determines that  
18 there is a need for increased donation of human tissue, it  
19 shall notify hospitals licensed pursuant to chapter 395 which  
20 have entered into partnership agreements with research  
21 institutes conducting stem cell research located in the same  
22 geographic region as the researchers demanding the stem cells  
23 or other tissues. Such hospitals shall implement programs that  
24 encourage voluntary donations of cord blood or other needed  
25 adult tissue.

26           (j) The center shall be funded through private, state,  
27 and federal sources.

28           (k) The center shall serve as a registry of all known  
29 opportunities for biomedical grants ~~and may assist any public~~  
30 ~~or private biomedical research program in this state in~~  
31 ~~preparing grant requests.~~

1           (l) The center shall provide grants for cancer  
2 research and Alzheimer's disease research to further the  
3 search for cures for those diseases.

4           ~~(m)(1)~~ The center shall maintain a website with links  
5 to peer-reviewed biomedical research. The website shall also  
6 contain a list of all known biomedical research being  
7 conducted in Florida and shall facilitate communication among  
8 researchers and other interested parties.

9           ~~(n)(m)~~ The center shall submit an annual report to the  
10 Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the  
11 House of Representatives no later than January 15 which  
12 contains recommendations for legislative change necessary to  
13 foster a positive climate for biomedical research in this  
14 state.

15           (4) The Department of Health may outsource the duties  
16 of the center to a private entity or state university.

17           (5) There is established within the center an advisory  
18 council that shall meet at least annually.

19           (a) The council shall consist of ~~the members of the~~  
20 ~~board of directors of the Florida Research Consortium and at~~  
21 ~~least~~ one representative from:

- 22           1. The Emerging Technology Commission.
- 23           2. Enterprise Florida, Inc.
- 24           3. BioFlorida.
- 25           4. The Biomedical Research Advisory Council.
- 26           5. The Florida Medical Foundation.
- 27           6. Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of  
28 America.
- 29           7. The Florida Tri-Agency Coalition on Smoking OR  
30 Health.
- 31           8. The Florida Cancer Council.

- 1           9. The American Cancer Society, Florida Division, Inc.  
2           10. The American Heart Association.  
3           11. The American Lung Association of Florida.  
4           12. The American Diabetes Association, South Coastal  
5 Region.  
6           13. The Alzheimer's Association.  
7           14. The Epilepsy Foundation.  
8           15. The National Parkinson Foundation.  
9           16. The Florida Public Health Foundation, Inc.  
10          17. Scripps Florida or the entity formed in this state  
11 by The Scripps Research Institute.  
12          18. The Florida Research Consortium.  
13          (b) Members of the council shall serve without  
14 compensation, and each organization represented shall cover  
15 all expenses of its representative.  
16          (6)(a) Applications for cancer research funding may be  
17 submitted from any university or established research  
18 institute in the state. All qualified investigators in the  
19 state, regardless of institution affiliation, shall have equal  
20 access and opportunity to compete for the research funding.  
21 Grants shall be awarded by the Secretary of Health, after  
22 consultation with the council, on the basis of scientific  
23 merit, as determined by an open, competitive peer review  
24 process that ensures objectivity, consistency, and high  
25 quality. The following types of applications shall be  
26 considered for funding:  
27           1. Investigator-initiated research grants.  
28           2. Institutional research grants.  
29          (b) To ensure that all proposals for research funding  
30 are appropriate and are evaluated fairly on the basis of  
31 scientific merit, the Secretary of Health, in consultation



1 with the council, shall appoint a peer review panel of  
2 independent, scientifically qualified individuals to review  
3 the scientific content of each proposal and establish its  
4 scientific priority score. The priority scores shall be  
5 forwarded to the council and must be considered in determining  
6 which proposals shall be recommended for funding.

7 (c) The council and the peer review panel shall  
8 establish and follow rigorous guidelines for ethical conduct  
9 and adhere to a strict policy with regard to conflict of  
10 interest. A member of the council or panel may not participate  
11 in any discussion or decision with respect to a research  
12 proposal by any firm, entity, or agency with which the member  
13 is associated as a member of the governing body or as an  
14 employee, or with which the member has entered into a  
15 contractual arrangement. Meetings of the council and the peer  
16 review panels are subject to chapter 119, s. 286.011, and s.  
17 24, Art. I of the State Constitution.

18 (7)(a) Applications for Alzheimer's disease research  
19 funding may be submitted from any university or established  
20 research institute in the state. All qualified investigators  
21 in the state, regardless of institution affiliation, shall  
22 have equal access and opportunity to compete for the research  
23 funding. Grants shall be awarded by the Secretary of Health,  
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17 employee, or with which the member has entered into a  
18 contractual arrangement. Meetings of the council and the peer  
19 review panels are subject to chapter 119, s. 286.011, and s.  
20 24, Art. I of the State Constitution.

21       Section 4. Section 381.921, Florida Statutes, is  
22 amended to read:

23       381.921 Florida Cancer Council mission and  
24 duties.--The council, which shall work in concert with the  
25 Florida Center for Universal Research to Eradicate Disease to  
26 ensure that the goals of the center are advanced, shall  
27 endeavor to dramatically improve cancer research and treatment  
28 in this state through:

29       (1) Efforts to significantly expand cancer research  
30 capacity in the state by:

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1           (a) Identifying ways to attract new research talent  
2 and attendant national grant-producing researchers to  
3 ~~Florida-based~~ cancer research facilities in this state;

4           (b) Implementing a peer-reviewed, competitive process  
5 to identify and fund the best proposals to expand cancer  
6 research institutes in this state;

7           (c) Funding through available resources for those  
8 proposals that demonstrate the greatest opportunity to attract  
9 federal research grants and private financial support;

10          (d) Encouraging the employment of bioinformatics in  
11 order to create a cancer informatics infrastructure that  
12 enhances information and resource exchange and integration  
13 through researchers working in diverse disciplines, to  
14 facilitate the full spectrum of cancer investigations;

15          (e) Facilitating the technical coordination, business  
16 development, and support of intellectual property as it  
17 relates to the advancement of cancer research; and

18          (f) Aiding in other multidisciplinary research-support  
19 activities as they inure to the advancement of cancer  
20 research.

21          (2) Efforts to improve both research and treatment  
22 through greater participation in clinical trials networks by:

23           (a) Identifying ways to increase adult enrollment in  
24 cancer clinical trials;

25           (b) Supporting public and private professional  
26 education programs designed to increase the awareness and  
27 knowledge about cancer clinical trials;

28           (c) Providing tools to cancer patients and  
29 community-based oncologists to aid in the identification of  
30 cancer clinical trials available in the state; and  
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1 (d) Creating opportunities for the state's academic  
2 cancer centers to collaborate with community-based oncologists  
3 in cancer clinical trials networks.

4 (3) Efforts to reduce the impact of cancer on  
5 disparate groups by:

6 (a) Identifying those cancers that disproportionately  
7 impact certain demographic groups; and

8 (b) Building collaborations designed to reduce health  
9 disparities as they relate to cancer.

10 Section 5. Section 1004.445, Florida Statutes, is  
11 amended to read:

12 1004.445 Ronald Reagan ~~Johnnie B. Byrd, Sr.,~~  
13 Alzheimer's Center and Research Institute.--

14 (1) The Ronald Reagan ~~Johnnie B. Byrd, Sr.,~~  
15 Alzheimer's Center and Research Institute is established at  
16 the University of South Florida.

17 (2)(a) The State Board of Education shall enter into  
18 an agreement for the utilization of the facilities on the  
19 campus of the University of South Florida to be known as the  
20 Ronald Reagan ~~Johnnie B. Byrd, Sr.,~~ Alzheimer's Center and  
21 Research Institute, including all furnishings, equipment, and  
22 other chattels used in the operation of those facilities, with  
23 a Florida not-for-profit corporation organized solely for the  
24 purpose of governing and operating the Ronald Reagan ~~Johnnie~~  
25 ~~B. Byrd, Sr.,~~ Alzheimer's Center and Research Institute. This  
26 not-for-profit corporation, acting as an instrumentality of  
27 the state, shall govern and operate the Ronald Reagan ~~Johnnie~~  
28 ~~B. Byrd, Sr.,~~ Alzheimer's Center and Research Institute in  
29 accordance with the terms of the agreement between the State  
30 Board of Education and the not-for-profit corporation. The  
31 not-for-profit corporation may, with the prior approval of the

1 State Board of Education, create either for-profit or  
2 not-for-profit corporate subsidiaries, or both, to fulfill its  
3 mission. The not-for-profit corporation and its subsidiaries  
4 are authorized to receive, hold, invest, and administer  
5 property and any moneys acquired from private, local, state,  
6 and federal sources, as well as technical and professional  
7 income generated or derived from practice activities of the  
8 institute, for the benefit of the institute and the  
9 fulfillment of its mission.

10 (b)1. The affairs of the not-for-profit corporation  
11 shall be managed by a board of directors who shall serve  
12 without compensation. The board of directors shall consist of  
13 the President of the University of South Florida and the chair  
14 of the State Board of Education, or their designees, 5  
15 representatives of the state universities, and no fewer than 9  
16 nor more than 14 representatives of the public who are neither  
17 medical doctors nor state employees. Each director who is a  
18 representative of a state university or of the public shall be  
19 appointed to serve a term of 3 years. The chair of the board  
20 of directors shall be selected by a majority vote of the  
21 directors. Each director shall have only one vote.

22 2. The initial board of directors shall consist of the  
23 President of the University of South Florida and the chair of  
24 the State Board of Education, or their designees; the five  
25 university representatives, of whom one shall be appointed by  
26 the Governor, two by the President of the Senate, and two by  
27 the Speaker of the House of Representatives; and nine public  
28 representatives, of whom three shall be appointed by the  
29 Governor, three by the President of the Senate, and three by  
30 the Speaker of the House of Representatives. Upon the  
31 expiration of the terms of the initial appointed directors,

1 all directors subject to 3-year terms of office under this  
2 paragraph shall be appointed by a majority vote of the  
3 directors and the board may be expanded to include additional  
4 public representative directors up to the maximum number  
5 allowed. Any vacancy in office shall be filled for the  
6 remainder of the term by majority vote of the directors. Any  
7 director may be reappointed.

8 (3) The State Board of Education shall provide in the  
9 agreement with the not-for-profit corporation for the  
10 following:

11 (a) Approval by the State Board of Education of the  
12 articles of incorporation of the not-for-profit corporation.

13 (b) Approval by the State Board of Education of the  
14 articles of incorporation of any not-for-profit corporate  
15 subsidiary created by the not-for-profit corporation.

16 (c) Utilization of lands, facilities, and personnel by  
17 the not-for-profit corporation and its subsidiaries for  
18 research, education, treatment, prevention, and the early  
19 detection of Alzheimer's disease and for mutually approved  
20 teaching and research programs conducted by the University of  
21 South Florida or other accredited medical schools or research  
22 institutes.

23 (d) Preparation of an annual financial audit pursuant  
24 to s. 11.45 of the not-for-profit corporation's accounts and  
25 the accounts of any subsidiaries to be conducted by an  
26 independent certified public accountant. The annual audit  
27 report shall include management letters and shall be submitted  
28 to the Auditor General and the State Board of Education for  
29 review. The State Board of Education, the Auditor General, and  
30 the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government  
31 Accountability shall have the authority to require and receive

1 from the not-for-profit corporation and any subsidiaries, or  
2 from their independent auditor, any detail or supplemental  
3 data relative to the operation of the not-for-profit  
4 corporation or subsidiary.

5 (e) Provision by the not-for-profit corporation and  
6 its subsidiaries of equal employment opportunities for all  
7 persons regardless of race, color, religion, gender, age, or  
8 national origin.

9 (4) The State Board of Education is authorized to  
10 secure comprehensive general liability protection, including  
11 professional liability protection, for the not-for-profit  
12 corporation and its subsidiaries, pursuant to s. 1004.24. The  
13 not-for-profit corporation and its subsidiaries shall be  
14 exempt from any participation in any property insurance trust  
15 fund established by law, including any property insurance  
16 trust fund established pursuant to chapter 284, so long as the  
17 not-for-profit corporation and its subsidiaries maintain  
18 property insurance protection with comparable or greater  
19 coverage limits.

20 (5) In the event that the agreement between the  
21 not-for-profit corporation and the State Board of Education is  
22 terminated for any reason, the State Board of Education shall  
23 assume governance and operation of the facilities.

24 (6) The institute shall be administered by a chief  
25 executive officer, who shall be appointed by and serve at the  
26 pleasure of the board of directors of the not-for-profit  
27 corporation, and who shall exercise the following powers and  
28 duties, subject to the approval of the board of directors:

29 (a) The chief executive officer shall establish  
30 programs that fulfill the mission of the institute in  
31 research, education, treatment, prevention, and early

1 | detection of Alzheimer's disease; however, the chief executive  
2 | officer may not establish academic programs for which academic  
3 | credit is awarded and which culminate in the conferring of a  
4 | degree, without prior approval of the State Board of  
5 | Education.

6 |         (b) The chief executive officer shall have control  
7 | over the budget and the moneys appropriated or donated to the  
8 | institute from private, local, state, and federal sources, as  
9 | well as technical and professional income generated or derived  
10 | from practice activities of the institute. However,  
11 | professional income generated by university faculty from  
12 | practice activities at the institute shall be shared between  
13 | the institute and the university as determined by the chief  
14 | executive officer and the appropriate university dean or vice  
15 | president.

16 |         (c) The chief executive officer shall appoint  
17 | representatives of the institute to carry out the research,  
18 | patient care, and educational activities of the institute and  
19 | establish the compensation, benefits, and terms of service of  
20 | such representatives. Representatives of the institute shall  
21 | be eligible to hold concurrent appointments at affiliated  
22 | academic institutions. University faculty shall be eligible to  
23 | hold concurrent appointments at the institute.

24 |         (d) The chief executive officer shall have control  
25 | over the use and assignment of space and equipment within the  
26 | facilities.

27 |         (e) The chief executive officer shall have the power  
28 | to create the administrative structure necessary to carry out  
29 | the mission of the institute.

30 |         (f) The chief executive officer shall have a reporting  
31 | relationship to the Commissioner of Education.



1 (g) The chief executive officer shall provide a copy  
2 of the institute's annual report to the Governor and Cabinet,  
3 the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of  
4 Representatives, and the chair of the State Board of  
5 Education.

6 (7) The board of directors of the not-for-profit  
7 corporation shall create a council of scientific advisers to  
8 the chief executive officer comprised of leading researchers,  
9 physicians, and scientists. The council shall review programs  
10 and recommend research priorities and initiatives to maximize  
11 the state's investment in the institute. The members of the  
12 council shall be appointed by the board of directors of the  
13 not-for-profit corporation. Each member of the council shall  
14 be appointed to serve a 2-year term and may be reappointed to  
15 the council.

16 (8) In carrying out the provisions of this section,  
17 the not-for-profit corporation and its subsidiaries are not  
18 agencies within the meaning of s. 20.03(11).

19 (9) The following information is confidential and  
20 exempt from the provisions of s. 119.07(1) and s. 24, Art. I  
21 of the State Constitution:

22 (a) Personal identifying information relating to  
23 clients of programs created or funded through the Ronald  
24 Reagan ~~Johnnie B. Byrd, Sr.,~~ Alzheimer's Center and Research  
25 Institute which is held by the institute, University of South  
26 Florida, or State Board of Education or by persons who provide  
27 services to clients of programs created or funded through  
28 contracts with the Ronald Reagan ~~Johnnie B. Byrd, Sr.,~~  
29 Alzheimer's Center and Research Institute;

30 (b) Any medical or health records relating to patients  
31 which may be created or received by the institute;

1           (c) Materials that relate to methods of manufacture or  
2 production, potential trade secrets, potentially patentable  
3 material, actual trade secrets as defined in s. 688.002, or  
4 proprietary information received, generated, ascertained, or  
5 discovered during the course of research conducted by or  
6 through the institute and business transactions resulting from  
7 such research;

8           (d) The identity of a donor or prospective donor to  
9 the Ronald Reagan ~~Johnnie B. Byrd, Sr.~~, Alzheimer's Center and  
10 Research Institute who wishes to remain anonymous, and all  
11 information identifying such donor or prospective donor;

12           (e) Any information received by the institute in the  
13 performance of its duties and responsibilities which is  
14 otherwise confidential and exempt by law; and

15           (f) Any information received by the institute from a  
16 person from another state or nation or the Federal Government  
17 which is otherwise confidential or exempt pursuant to that  
18 state's or nation's laws or pursuant to federal law.

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20 Any governmental entity that demonstrates a need to access  
21 such confidential and exempt information in order to perform  
22 its duties and responsibilities shall have access to such  
23 information and shall otherwise keep such information  
24 confidential and exempt. This section is subject to the Open  
25 Government Sunset Review Act of 1995 in accordance with s.  
26 119.15 and shall stand repealed on October 2, 2006, unless  
27 reviewed and saved from repeal through reenactment by the  
28 Legislature.

29           (10) Any appropriation to the institute provided in a  
30 general appropriations act shall be paid directly to the board  
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1 of directors of the not-for-profit corporation by warrant  
2 drawn by the Chief Financial Officer from the State Treasury.

3 Section 6. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005.  
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5 STATEMENT OF SUBSTANTIAL CHANGES CONTAINED IN  
6 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR  
7 SBs 1872 and 2378

8 The Committee Substitute differs from SBs 1872 and 2378 in the  
9 following ways:

10 The bill provides funding for biomedical research by  
11 redistributing funds that are deposited in the Alcoholic  
12 Beverage and Tobacco Trust Fund. The bill deletes the \$15  
13 million that currently funds the Johnnie B. Byrd, Sr.,  
14 Alzheimer's Center and Research Institute and designates  
15 instead that \$15 million be directed annually to the  
16 Department of Health for the Florida Center for Universal  
17 Research to Eradicate Disease to provide grants for  
18 Alzheimer's disease research. The bill deletes the \$9 million  
19 that is annually distributed to the Florida State University  
20 School of Chiropractic Medicine and instead directs \$9 million  
21 annually to the Department of Health for the Florida Center  
22 for Universal Research to Eradicate Disease for grants for  
23 cancer research.

24 The bill does not allocate tobacco settlement funds or  
25 cigarette tax proceeds for cancer research and does not  
26 require the Florida Cancer Council to provide grants for  
27 cancer research.

28 The bill renames the Johnnie B. Byrd, Sr., Alzheimer's Center  
29 and Research Institute as the Ronald Reagan Alzheimer's Center  
30 and Research Institute.  
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