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The Health Care Appropriations Committee recommends the following:

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Council/Committee Substitute

Remove the entire bill and insert:

A bill to be entitled

An act relating to the Cancer Drug Donation Program; creating s. 499.029, F.S.; providing a short title; creating the Cancer Drug Donation Program; providing a purpose; providing definitions; providing conditions for the donation of cancer drugs and supplies to the program; providing conditions for the acceptance of cancer drugs and supplies into the program, inspection of cancer drugs and supplies, and dispensing of cancer drugs and supplies to eligible patients; requiring a participant facility that accepts donated drugs and supplies through the program to comply with certain state and federal laws; authorizing a participant facility to charge fees under certain conditions; requiring the Department of Health, upon recommendation of the Board of Pharmacy, to adopt certain rules; providing for the ineligibility of certain persons to receive donated drugs; requiring the department to establish and maintain a participant facility registry;

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providing for the contents and availability of the participant facility registry; providing immunity from civil and criminal liability for donors or pharmaceutical manufacturers in certain circumstances; providing that in the event of conflict between the provisions in s. 499.029, F.S., and provisions in ch. 465 or ch. 499, F.S., the provisions in s. 499.029, F.S., shall control; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

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

 Section 1. Section 499.029, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

499.029 Cancer Drug Donation Program. --

- (1) This section may be cited as the "Cancer Drug Donation Program Act."
- (2) There is created a Cancer Drug Donation Program within the Department of Health for the purpose of authorizing and facilitating the donation of cancer drugs and supplies to eligible patients.
 - (3) As used in this section:
- (a) "Cancer drug" means a prescription drug that has been approved under s. 505 of the federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act and is used to treat cancer or its side effects or is used to treat the side effects of a prescription drug used to treat cancer or its side effects. "Cancer drug" does not include a substance listed in Schedule II, Schedule III, Schedule IV, or Schedule V of s. 893.03.

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(b) "Closed drug delivery system" means a system in which the actual control of the unit-dose medication package is maintained by the facility rather than by the individual patient.

(c) "Department" means the Department of Health.

- (d) "Donor" means a patient or patient representative who donates cancer drugs or supplies needed to administer cancer drugs that have been maintained within a closed drug delivery system; health care facilities, nursing homes, hospices, or hospitals with closed drug delivery systems; or pharmacies, drug manufacturers, medical device manufacturers or suppliers, or wholesalers of drugs or supplies, in accordance with this section. "Donor" includes a physician licensed under chapter 458 or chapter 459 who receives cancer drugs or supplies directly from a drug manufacturer, drug wholesaler, or pharmacy.
- (e) "Eligible patient" means a person who the department determines is eligible to receive cancer drugs from the program.
- (f) "Health care facility" means a health care facility licensed under chapter 395.
- (g) "Health care clinic" means a health care clinic licensed under part XIII of chapter 400.
- (h) "Hospice" means a corporation licensed under part VI of chapter 400.
- (i) "Hospital" means a facility as defined in s. 395.002 and licensed under chapter 395.
- (j) "Nursing home" means a facility licensed under part II of chapter 400.

(k) "Participant facility" means a class II hospital pharmacy that has elected to participate in the program and that accepts donated cancer drugs and supplies under the rules adopted by the department for the program.

(1) "Pharmacist" means a person licensed under chapter 465.

- (m) "Pharmacy" means an entity licensed under chapter 465.
- (n) "Prescribing practitioner" means a physician licensed under chapter 458 or any other medical professional with authority under state law to prescribe cancer medication.
- (o) "Prescription drug" means a drug as defined in s. 465.003(8).
- (p) "Program" means the Cancer Drug Donation Program created by this section.
- (q) "Supplies" means any supplies used in the administration of a cancer drug.
- (4) Any donor may donate cancer drugs or supplies to a participant facility that elects to participate in the program and meets criteria established by the department for such participation. Cancer drugs or supplies may not be donated to a specific cancer patient, and donated drugs or supplies may not be resold by the program. A participant facility may provide dispensing and consulting services to individuals who are not patients of the hospital.
- (5) The cancer drugs or supplies donated to the program may be prescribed only by a prescribing practitioner for use by an eligible patient and may be dispensed only by a pharmacist.

(6) (a) A cancer drug may only be accepted or dispensed under the program if the drug is in its original, unopened, sealed container, or in a tamper-evident unit-dose packaging, except that a cancer drug packaged in single-unit doses may be accepted and dispensed if the outside packaging is opened but the single-unit-dose packaging is unopened with tamper-resistant packaging intact.

- (b) A cancer drug may not be accepted or dispensed under the program if the drug bears an expiration date that is less than 6 months after the date the drug was donated or if the drug appears to have been tampered with or mislabeled as determined in paragraph (c).
- (c) Prior to being dispensed to an eligible patient, the cancer drug or supplies donated under the program shall be inspected by a pharmacist to determine that the drug and supplies do not appear to have been tampered with or mislabeled.
- (d) A dispenser of donated cancer drugs or supplies may not submit a claim or otherwise seek reimbursement from any public or private third-party payor for donated cancer drugs or supplies dispensed to any patient under the program, and a public or private third-party payor is not required to provide reimbursement to a dispenser for donated cancer drugs or supplies dispensed to any patient under the program.
- (7)(a) A donation of cancer drugs or supplies shall be made only at a participant facility. A participant facility may decline to accept a donation. A participant facility that accepts donated cancer drugs or supplies under the program shall comply with all applicable provisions of state and federal law

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relating to the storage and dispensing of the donated cancer drugs or supplies.

- (b) A participant facility that voluntarily takes part in the program may charge a handling fee sufficient to cover the cost of preparation and dispensing of cancer drugs or supplies under the program. The fee shall be established in rules adopted by the department.
- (8) The department, upon the recommendation of the Board of Pharmacy, shall adopt rules to carry out the provisions of this section. Initial rules under this section shall be adopted no later than 90 days after the effective date of this act. The rules shall include, but not be limited to:
- (a) Eligibility criteria, including a method to determine priority of eligible patients under the program.
- (b) Standards and procedures for participant facilities

 that accept, store, distribute, or dispense donated cancer drugs
 or supplies.
- (c) Necessary forms for administration of the program, including, but not limited to, forms for use by entities that donate, accept, distribute, or dispense cancer drugs or supplies under the program.
- (d) The maximum handling fee that may be charged by a participant facility that accepts and distributes or dispenses donated cancer drugs or supplies.
- (e) Categories of cancer drugs and supplies that the program will accept for dispensing; however, the department may exclude any drug based on its therapeutic effectiveness or high potential for abuse or diversion.

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(f) Maintenance and distribution of the participant facility registry established in subsection (10).

- (9) A person who is eligible to receive cancer drugs or supplies under the state Medicaid program or under any other prescription drug program funded in whole or in part by the state, by any other prescription drug program funded in whole or in part by the Federal Government, or by any other prescription drug program offered by a third-party insurer, unless benefits have been exhausted, or a certain cancer drug or supply is not covered by the prescription drug program, is ineligible to participate in the program created under this section.
- participant facility registry for the program. The participant facility registry shall include the participant facility's name, address, and telephone number. The department shall make the participant facility registry available on the department's website to any donor wishing to donate cancer drugs or supplies to the program. The department's website shall also contain links to cancer drug manufacturers that offer drug assistance programs or free medication.
- (11) Any donor of cancer drugs or supplies, or any participant in the program, who exercises reasonable care in donating, accepting, distributing, or dispensing cancer drugs or supplies under the program and the rules adopted under this section shall be immune from civil or criminal liability and from professional disciplinary action of any kind for any injury, death, or loss to person or property relating to such activities.

(12) A pharmaceutical manufacturer is not liable for any claim or injury arising from the transfer of any cancer drug under this section, including, but not limited to, liability for failure to transfer or communicate product or consumer information regarding the transferred drug, as well as the expiration date of the transferred drug.

(13) If any conflict exists between the provisions in this section and the provisions in this chapter or chapter 465, the provisions in this section shall control the operation of the Cancer Drug Donation Program.

Section 2. There is hereby appropriated one full-time equivalent position at salary rate 42,715 and recurring funding from the Florida Drug, Device, and Cosmetic Trust Fund pursuant to s. 499.057, Florida Statutes, in the sum of \$65,308 for fiscal year 2006-2007, for the purpose of implementing the Cancer Drug Donation Program under s. 499.029, Florida Statutes, as created by this act.

Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2006.