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11	Senator Wilson moved the following amendment:
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13	Senate Amendment (with title amendment)
14	Delete everything after the enacting clause
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16	and insert:
17	Section 1. Council on the Social Status of Black Men
18	and Boys
19	(1) The Council on the Social Status of Black Men and
20	Boys is established within the Department of Legal Affairs and
21	shall consist of 19 members appointed as follows:
22	(a) Two members of the Senate who are not members of
23	the same political party, appointed by the President of the
24	Senate with the advice of the Minority Leader of the Senate.
25	(b) Two members of the House of Representatives who
26	are not members of the same political party, appointed by the
27	Speaker of the House of Representatives with the advice of the
28	Minority Leader of the House of Representatives.
29	(c) The Secretary of Children and Family Services or
30	his or her designee.
31	(d) The director of the Mental Health Program Office

1	within the Department of Children and Family Services or his
2	or her designee.
3	(e) The Secretary of Health or his or her designee.
4	(f) The Commissioner of Education or his or her
5	designee.
6	(q) The Secretary of Corrections or his or her
7	designee.
8	(h) The Attorney General or his or her designee.
9	(i) The Secretary of Management Services or his or her
10	designee.
11	(j) The director of the Agency for Workforce
12	Innovation or his or her designee.
13	(k) A businessperson of black origin appointed by the
14	Governor.
15	(1) Two persons appointed by the President of the
16	Senate who are not members of the Legislature or employed by
17	state government. One of the appointees must be a clinical
18	psychologist.
19	(m) Two persons appointed by the Speaker of the House
20	of Representatives who are not members of the Legislature or
21	employed by state government. One of the appointees must be an
22	Africana studies professional.
23	(n) The deputy secretary for Medicaid in the Agency
24	for Health Care Administration or his or her designee.
25	(o) The Secretary of Juvenile Justice or his or her
26	<u>designee.</u>
27	(2) Each member of the council shall be appointed to a
28	4-year term; however, for the purpose of providing staggered
29	terms, of the initial appointments, 9 members shall be
30	appointed to 2-year terms and 10 members shall be appointed to
31	4-year terms. A member of the council may be removed at any
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1	time by the member's appointing authority who shall fill the
2	vacancy on the council.
3	(3)(a) At the first meeting of the council each year,
4	the members shall elect a chair and a vice chair.
5	(b) A vacancy in the office of chair or vice chair
6	shall be filled by vote of the remaining members.
7	(4)(a) The council shall make a systematic study of
8	the conditions affecting black men and boys, including, but
9	not limited to, homicide rates, arrest and incarceration
10	rates, poverty, violence, drug abuse, death rates, disparate
11	annual income levels, school performance in all grade levels
12	including postsecondary levels, and health issues.
13	(b) The council shall propose measures to alleviate
14	and correct the underlying causes of the conditions described
15	in paragraph (a). These measures may consist of changes to the
16	law or systematic changes that can be implemented without
17	legislative action.
18	(c) The council may study other topics suggested by
19	the Legislature or as directed by the chair of the council.
20	(d) The council shall receive suggestions or comments
21	pertinent to the applicable issues from members of the
22	Legislature, governmental agencies, public and private
23	organizations, and private citizens.
24	(5) The Office of the Attorney General shall provide
25	staff and administrative support to the council.
26	(6) The council shall meet quarterly and at other
27	times at the call of the chair or as determined by a majority
28	of council members and approved by the Attorney General.
29	(7) Eleven of the members of the council shall
30	constitute a quorum, and an affirmative vote of a majority of
31	the members present is required for final action.
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1	(8)(a) The council shall issue its first annual report
2	by December 15, 2007, and by December 15 each following year,
3	stating the findings, conclusions, and recommendations of the
4	council. The council shall submit the report to the Governor,
5	the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of
6	Representatives, and the chairpersons of the standing
7	committees of jurisdiction in each chamber.
8	(b) The initial report must include the findings of an
9	investigation into factors causing black-on-black crime from
10	the perspective of public health related to mental health,
11	other health issues, cultural disconnection, and cultural
12	identity trauma.
13	(9) Members of the council shall serve without
14	compensation. Members are entitled to reimbursement for per
15	diem and travel expenses as provided in s. 112.061, Florida
16	Statutes. State officers and employees shall be reimbursed
17	from the budget of the agency through which they serve. Other
18	members may be reimbursed by the Department of Legal Affairs.
19	(10) The council and any subcommittees it forms shall
20	be subject to the provisions of chapter 119, Florida Statutes,
21	related to public records, and the provisions of chapter 286,
22	Florida Statutes, related to public meetings.
23	(11) Each member of the council who is not otherwise
24	required to file a financial disclosure statement pursuant to
25	s. 8, Art. II of the State Constitution or s. 112.3144,
26	Florida Statutes, must file a disclosure of financial
27	interests pursuant to s. 112.3145, Florida Statutes.
28	(12) Notwithstanding subsection (6), the Attorney
29	General shall:
30	(a) Within 60 days after the effective date of this
31	act, fix a date for the initial meeting of the council.
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1	(b) Notify each member of the council of the time,
2	date, and place where the initial meeting will be held.
3	(c) Make any other arrangements concerning the initial
4	meeting of the council.
5	(d) Serve as the presiding officer at the initial
6	meeting of the council until a chair is elected.
7	(13) This section expires July 1, 2012, unless
8	reenacted by the Legislature.
9	Section 2. This act shall take effect January 1, 2007.
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13	And the title is amended as follows:
14	Delete everything before the enacting clause
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16	and insert:
17	A bill to be entitled
18	An act relating to the social status of black
19	men and boys; creating the Council on the
20	Social Status of Black Men and Boys; providing
21	for the appointment and qualification of
22	members; providing for the appointment of
23	members to fill vacant positions; requiring the
24	council to make a systematic study of
25	conditions affecting black men and boys;
26	requiring the Office of the Attorney General to
27	provide administrative support; requiring the
28	council to submit an annual report to the
29	Governor and Legislature; providing for
30	reimbursement for per diem and travel expenses;
31	providing that the council and any
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1	subcommittees it forms are subject to public
2	records and meetings requirements; providing
3	financial disclosure requirements for council
4	members; requiring the Attorney General to
5	organize the initial meeting of the council;
6	providing for the expiration of the council;
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