

1 Section 1. It is the intent of the Legislature that
2 the implementing and administering provisions of this act
3 apply to the General Appropriations Act for the 2007-2008
4 fiscal year.

5 Section 2. In order to implement Specific
6 Appropriation 388 of the 2007-2008 General Appropriations Act,
7 and notwithstanding s. 394.908(3)(a) and (b), Florida
8 Statutes, funds appropriated for forensic mental health
9 treatment services in Specific Appropriation 388 shall be
10 allocated to the areas of the state having the greatest demand
11 for services and treatment capacity. This section expires July
12 1, 2008.

13 Section 3. In order to implement Specific
14 Appropriations 311 and 321 of the 2007-2008 General
15 Appropriations Act, the Department of Children and Family
16 Services shall ensure that all public and private agencies and
17 institutions participating in child welfare cases enter
18 information specified by rule of the department into the
19 Florida Safe Families Network in order to maintain the
20 accuracy and usefulness of the system. The Florida Safe
21 Families Network is intended to be the department's automated
22 child welfare case-management system designed to provide child
23 welfare workers with a mechanism for managing child welfare
24 cases more efficiently and tracking children and families more
25 effectively. The department shall coordinate with the Office
26 of the State Courts Administrator and the Statewide Guardian
27 Ad Litem Office for the purpose of providing any judge or
28 magistrate and any guardian ad litem assigned to a dependency
29 court case with access to information in the Florida Safe
30 Families Network relating to a child welfare case which is
31 required to be filed with the court pursuant to chapter 39,

1 Florida Statutes, by the date of the network's release during
2 the 2007-2008 fiscal year. The department shall report to the
3 Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the
4 House of Representatives by February 1, 2008, with respect to
5 progress on providing access to the Florida Safe Families
6 Network as provided in this section. This section is repealed
7 effective July 1, 2008.

8 Section 4. In order to implement the issuance of new
9 debt authorized in the 2007-2008 General Appropriations Act,
10 and pursuant to the requirements of s. 215.98, Florida
11 Statutes, the Legislature determines that the authorization
12 and issuance of debt for the 2007-2008 fiscal year is in the
13 best interest of the state and should be implemented.

14 Section 5. A section of this act that implements more
15 than one specific appropriation or more than one portion of
16 specifically identified proviso language in the 2007-2008
17 General Appropriations Act is void if all the specific
18 appropriations or portions of specifically identified proviso
19 language are vetoed.

20 Section 6. If any other act passed in 2007 contains a
21 provision that is substantively the same as a provision in
22 this act, but that removes or is otherwise not subject to the
23 future repeal applied to such provision by this act, the
24 Legislature intends that the provision in the other act shall
25 take precedence and shall continue to operate, notwithstanding
26 the future repeal provided by this act.

27 Section 7. If any provision of this act or its
28 application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the
29 invalidity does not affect other provisions or applications of
30 the act which can be given effect without the invalid
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1 provision or application, and to this end the provisions of
2 this act are severable.

3 Section 8. Except as otherwise expressly provided in
4 this act, this act shall take effect July 1, 2007; or, if this
5 act fails to become a law until after that date, it shall take
6 effect upon becoming a law and shall operate retroactively to
7 July 1, 2007.

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9 STATEMENT OF SUBSTANTIAL CHANGES CONTAINED IN
10 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
11 Senate Bill 1128

12 Requires that funds appropriated for forensic mental health
13 treatment services be allocated to the areas of the state
14 having greatest demand for services and treatment capacity.

14 Requires all public and private agencies and institutions
15 participating in child welfare cases to enter certain
16 information into the Florida Safe Families Network (FSFN) in
17 order to maintain the accuracy and usefulness of the automated
18 child welfare case management system.

17 Requires the Department of Children and Family Services to
18 work with the Office of the State Courts Administrator and the
19 Statewide Guardian Ad Litem Office to allow a judge,
20 magistrate, or guardian ad litem to access FSFN information
21 concerning cases to which they are assigned, by the date of
22 the network's release during fiscal year 2007-2008.

21 Requires the department to submit a report on its progress on
22 providing access to the Florida Safe Families Network by
23 February 1, 2008.

23 Declares legislative determination that the authorization and
24 issuance of debt for the 2007-2008 fiscal year is in the best
25 interest of the state and should be implemented.

25 Specifies that no section will take effect if the
26 appropriations and proviso to which it relates are vetoed.

26 Provides that a permanent change made by another law to any of
27 the same statutes amended by this bill takes precedence over
28 the provision in this bill.

28 Provides a severability clause.

29 Provides a contingent effective date.

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