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1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to the Department of Health;
3	amending s. 20.43, F.S.; deleting the
4	designation of Secretary of Health and
5	including the designation of State Surgeon
6	General as the head of the Department of
7	Health; providing requirements for the
8	position; providing duties for the State
9	Surgeon General; conforming references;
10	amending s. 381.0605, F.S.; clarifying that the
11	Surgeon General referred to in s. 381.0605,
12	F.S., is the Surgeon General of the United
13	States; requiring the Division of Statutory
14	Revision of the Office of Legislative Services
15	to change references to the Secretary of Health
16	to the Surgeon General within the Florida
17	Statutes; providing an effective date.
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19	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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21	Section 1. Subsections (2), (5), and (6) of section
22	20.43, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
23	20.43 Department of HealthThere is created a
24	Department of Health.
25	(2)(a) The head of the Department of Health is the
26	State Surgeon General Secretary of Health and State Health
27	Officer. The <u>State Surgeon General</u> secretary must be a
28	physician licensed under chapter 458 or chapter 459 who has
29	advanced training or extensive experience in public health
30	administration. The <u>State Surgeon General</u> secretary is
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Senate. The State Surgeon General secretary serves at the 2 pleasure of the Governor. The State Surgeon General shall serve as the leading voice on wellness and disease-prevention 3 efforts, including the promotion of healthful lifestyles, 4 immunization practices, health literacy, and the assessment 5 6 and promotion of the physician and health care workforce in 7 order to meet the health care needs of the state. The State 8 Surgeon General shall focus on advocating healthy lifestyles, developing public health policy, and building collaborative 9 partnerships with schools, businesses, health care 10 practitioners, community-based organizations, and public and 11 12 private institutions in order to promote health literacy and 13 optimum quality of life for all Floridians.

- (b) The Officer of Women's Health Strategy is established within the Department of Health and shall report directly to the <u>State Surgeon General</u> secretary.
- public health programs through its county health departments and may, for administrative purposes and efficient service delivery, establish up to 15 service areas to carry out such duties as may be prescribed by the <u>State Surgeon General</u> secretary. The boundaries of the service areas shall be the same as, or combinations of, the service districts of the Department of Children and Family Services established in s. 20.19 and, to the extent practicable, shall take into consideration the boundaries of the jobs and education regional boards.
- (6) The <u>State Surgeon General</u> <del>secretary</del> and division directors are authorized to appoint ad hoc advisory committees as necessary. The issue or problem that the ad hoc committee shall address, and the timeframe within which the committee is

1	to complete its work, shall be specified at the time the
2	committee is appointed. Ad hoc advisory committees shall
3	include representatives of groups or entities affected by the
4	issue or problem that the committee is asked to examine.
5	Members of ad hoc advisory committees shall receive no
6	compensation, but may, within existing departmental resources,
7	receive reimbursement for travel expenses as provided in s.
8	112.061.
9	Section 2. Subsection (2) of section 381.0605, Florida
10	Statutes, is amended to read:
11	381.0605 Survey of state hospital facilities; Agency
12	for Health Care Administration
13	(2) The Governor is authorized to provide for carrying
14	out such purposes in accordance with the standards prescribed
15	by the Surgeon General of the United States.
16	Section 3. The Division of Statutory Revision of the
17	Office of Legislative Services shall change "Secretary of
18	Health" or "Secretary of the Department of Health" to "State
19	Surgeon General" and change "secretary," with respect to that
20	department, to "State Surgeon General" wherever the same
21	appears in Florida Statutes.
22	Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2007.
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24	STATEMENT OF SUBSTANTIAL CHANGES CONTAINED IN COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
25	CS/SB 2260
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27	Modifies duties of the State Surgeon General. Includes duty to promote healthy lifestyles, immunization practices, health
28	literacy, and the assessment and promotion of the physician and health care workforce in order to meet the health care
29	needs of the state.
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