## Florida Senate - 2007

By Senator Wilson

33-1617-07 1 A bill to be entitled 2 An act relating to the Kidcare outreach program 3 for uninsured children; requiring the Office of 4 Program Policy Analysis and Government 5 Accountability to perform a study of the б outreach efforts of the Kidcare program; 7 providing requirements for the study; requiring 8 a report to the Legislature by a specified 9 date; providing an effective date. 10 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 11 12 13 Section 1. The Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability shall perform a study of the 14 effectiveness of the Kidcare outreach program for uninsured 15 children. As part of determining the effectiveness of the 16 17 program, OPPAGA shall examine the current practices of the 18 Social Services Estimating Conference, the Department of Health, the Children's Medical Services, the Agency for Health 19 Care Administration, the Department of Children and Family 20 21 Services, the Florida Healthy Kids Corporation, and the 22 Department of Education as they relate to determining 23 expenditures, coordinating with other related health programs at the state and local levels to avoid duplication of effort 2.4 and promote consistency, providing services to children 25 participating in the Florida Kidcare program, making program 26 27 information available to all Florida parents of eligible 2.8 children, offering the services of the program to the target population, determining eligibility, providing medical 29 assistance, and increasing enrollment in the Kidcare program. 30 In addition to determining the effectiveness of the Kidcare 31

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1	outreach program, the report shall focus on local outreach in
2	counties where the program enrollment is atypically low. The
3	report shall examine how counties having higher enrollment
4	levels reach the intended population. If the report finds
5	deficiencies in the outreach process, the report shall provide
б	options for correcting those deficiencies and shall include
7	the projected cost of implementing those options. In
8	conducting the study, the Office of Program Policy Analysis
9	and Government Accountability shall consult with the
10	Department of Health and the Department of Children and Family
11	Services in addition to other interested entities that may
12	offer experiences and perspectives unique to this area of
13	research. The report shall be submitted to the President of
14	the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by
15	<u>January 1, 2008.</u>
16	Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a
17	law.
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