

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to the Department of Juvenile Justice;
 3 amending s. 984.01, F.S.; providing requirements for
 4 directing the funding and delivery of services of
 5 specified programs for children and families in need of
 6 services; providing an effective date.

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

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 10 Section 1. Paragraph (d) is added to subsection (2) of
 11 section 984.01, Florida Statutes, to read:

12 984.01 Purposes and intent; personnel standards and
 13 screening.--

14 (2) The Department of Juvenile Justice or the Department
 15 of Children and Family Services, as appropriate, may contract
 16 with the Federal Government, other state departments and
 17 agencies, county and municipal governments and agencies, public
 18 and private agencies, and private individuals and corporations
 19 in carrying out the purposes of, and the responsibilities
 20 established in, this chapter.

21 (d) The Department of Juvenile Justice shall ensure that
 22 an equitable percentage of all funding for nonresidential
 23 children and families in need of services programs be used to
 24 fund prevention resource programs in areas with a high volume of
 25 juvenile arrests. Additionally, the recipient of such funds
 26 shall demonstrate the inclusion of local nontraditional
 27 delinquency prevention service providers, such as grassroots

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28 | organizations and community and faith-based organizations, in
29 | the contracting and delivery of all programs in such areas.

30 | Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008.