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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate

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Senator Storms moved the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete lines 83 - 114

and insert:

(2) AGENCY AGREEMENTS.-

(a)~~(3)~~ The department shall enter into an agreement with the Department of Education regarding the education and related care of children known to the department. Such agreement shall be designed to provide educational access to children known to the department for the purpose of facilitating the delivery of services or programs to children known to the department. The agreement shall avoid duplication of services or programs and



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13 shall provide for combining resources to maximize the
14 availability or delivery of services or programs. The agreement
15 must require the Department of Education to access the
16 department's Florida Safe Families Network to obtain information
17 about children known to the department, consistent with the
18 Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), 20 U.S.C. s.
19 1232g.

20 ~~(b)(4)~~ The department shall enter into agreements with
21 district school boards or other local educational entities
22 regarding education and related services for children known to
23 the department who are of school age and children known to the
24 department who are younger than school age but who would
25 otherwise qualify for services from the district school board.
26 Such agreements shall include, but are not limited to:

27 ~~1.(a)~~ A requirement that the department shall:

28 ~~a.1.~~ Enroll children known to the department in school. The
29 agreement shall provide for continuing the enrollment of a child
30 known to the department at the same school, if possible, with
31 the goal of avoiding disruption of education.

32 ~~b.2.~~ Notify the school and school district in which a child
33 known to the department is enrolled of the name and phone number
34 of the child known to the department caregiver and caseworker
35 for child safety purposes.

36 ~~c.3.~~ Establish a protocol for the department to share
37 information about a child known to the department with the
38 school district, consistent with the Family Educational Rights
39 and Privacy Act, since the sharing of information will assist
40 each agency in obtaining education and related services for the
41 benefit of the child. The protocol must require the district



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43 department's Florida Safe Families Network to obtain information
44 about children known to the department, consistent with the
45 Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), 20 U.S.C. s.
46 1232g.

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48 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

49 And the title is amended as follows:

50 Delete line 5

51 and insert:

52 "surrogate parent"; requiring the Department of Education and
53 district school boards to access the Florida Safe Families
54 Network to obtain information about children known to the
55 Department of Children and Family Services; providing
56 legislative intent;