

By the Committee on Health and Human Services Appropriations;  
and Senator Peadar

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1 A bill to be entitled

2 An act relating to health care; amending s. 381.84,  
3 F.S.; deleting provisions limiting certain activities  
4 of the Florida Area Health Education Network and the  
5 Department of Health to specified fiscal years;  
6 increasing the amount of a contract or grant required  
7 to be awarded to the AHEC network by the department  
8 for the purpose of developing a smoking-cessation  
9 initiative; deleting a provision authorizing the AHEC  
10 network to apply for a competitive grant after a  
11 specified date; amending s. 381.922, F.S.; decreasing  
12 the amount of annual appropriations to the Biomedical  
13 Research Trust Fund within the Department of Health  
14 beginning with the 2009-2010 fiscal year; providing an  
15 effective date.

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

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19 Section 1. Paragraph (i) of subsection (3) and subsection  
20 (6) of section 381.84, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

21 381.84 Comprehensive Statewide Tobacco Education and Use  
22 Prevention Program.—

23 (3) PROGRAM COMPONENTS AND REQUIREMENTS.—The department  
24 shall conduct a comprehensive, statewide tobacco education and  
25 use prevention program consistent with the recommendations for  
26 effective program components contained in the 1999 Best  
27 Practices for Comprehensive Tobacco Control Programs of the CDC,  
28 as amended by the CDC. The program shall include the following  
29 components, each of which shall focus on educating people,

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30 particularly youth and their parents, about the health hazards  
31 of tobacco and discouraging the use of tobacco:

32 (i) *AHEC smoking-cessation initiative.* ~~For the 2007-2008~~  
33 ~~and 2008-2009 fiscal years only,~~ The AHEC network shall expand  
34 the AHEC smoking-cessation initiative to each county within the  
35 state and perform other activities as determined by the  
36 department.

37 (6) CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS.—Contracts or grants for the  
38 program components or subcomponents described in paragraphs  
39 (3) (a)-(f) shall be awarded by the State Surgeon General, after  
40 consultation with the council, on the basis of merit, as  
41 determined by an open, competitive, peer-reviewed process that  
42 ensures objectivity, consistency, and high quality. The  
43 department shall award such grants or contracts no later than  
44 October 1 for each fiscal year. A recipient of a contract or  
45 grant for the program component described in paragraph (3) (c) is  
46 not eligible for a contract or grant award for any other program  
47 component described in subsection (3) in the same state fiscal  
48 year. A school or college of medicine that is represented on the  
49 council is not eligible to receive a contract or grant under  
50 this section. ~~For the 2007-2008 and 2008-2009 fiscal years only,~~  
51 The department shall award a contract or grant in the amount of  
52 \$11 million ~~\$10 million~~ to the AHEC network for the purpose of  
53 developing the components described in paragraph (3) (i). ~~The~~  
54 ~~AHEC network may apply for a competitive contract or grant after~~  
55 ~~the 2008-2009 fiscal year.~~

56 Section 2. Subsection (5) of section 381.922, Florida  
57 Statutes, as amended by section 2 of chapter 2009-5, Laws of  
58 Florida, is amended to read:

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59           381.922 William G. "Bill" Bankhead, Jr., and David Coley  
60 Cancer Research Program.—

61           (5) For the 2009-2010 ~~2008-2009~~ fiscal year and each fiscal  
62 year thereafter, the sum of \$5 million ~~\$6.75 million~~ is  
63 appropriated annually from recurring funds in the General  
64 Revenue Fund to the Biomedical Research Trust Fund within the  
65 Department of Health for purposes of the William G. "Bill"  
66 Bankhead, Jr., and David Coley Cancer Research Program and shall  
67 be distributed pursuant to this section to provide grants to  
68 researchers seeking cures for cancer, with emphasis given to the  
69 goals enumerated in s. 381.921. From the total funds  
70 appropriated, an amount of up to 10 percent may be used for  
71 administrative expenses.

72           Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009.