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Florida Senate - 2009 Bill No. CS/HB 597, 1st Eng.



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Senator Storms moved the following:

Senate Amendment

Delete lines 117 - 208

and insert:

420.621 Definitions; ss. 420.621-420.627.—As used in ss. <u>420.621-420.628</u> 420.621-420.627, the <u>term</u> following terms shall have the following meanings, unless the context otherwise requires:

9 (1) "Continuum of care" means the community components 10 needed to organize and deliver housing and services to meet the 11 specific needs of people who are homeless as they move to stable 12 housing and maximum self-sufficiency. It includes action steps

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13	to end homelessness and prevent a return to homelessness.
14	(2) "Council on Homelessness" means the council created in
15	<u>s. 420.622.</u>
16	(1) "AFDC" means Aid to Families with Dependent Children as
17	administered under chapter 409.
18	(3) (2) "Department" means the Department of Children and
19	Family Services.
20	(4) "District" means a service district of the
21	department of Children and Family Services , as set forth in s.
22	20.19.
23	(5) (4) "Homeless," applied to an individual, or "individual
24	experiencing homelessness" means "Homeless" refers to an
25	individual who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime
26	residence <u>and includes</u> or an individual who has a primary
27	nighttime residence that is:
28	(a) Is sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of
29	housing, economic hardship, or a similar reason;
30	(b) Is living in a motel, hotel, travel trailer park, or
31	camping ground due to a lack of alternative adequate
32	accommodations;
33	(c) Is living in an emergency or transitional shelter; A
34	supervised publicly or privately operated shelter designed to
35	provide temporary living accommodations, including welfare
36	hotels, congregate shelters, and transitional housing for the
37	mentally-ill;
38	(b) An institution that provides a temporary residence for
39	individuals intended to be institutionalized; or
40	(d) (c) Has a primary nighttime residence that is a public
41	or private place not designed for, or ordinarily used as, a

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42	regular sleeping accommodation for human beings <u>;</u>
43	(e) Is living in a car, park, public space, abandoned
44	building, bus or train station, or similar setting; or
45	(f) Is a migratory individual who qualifies as homeless
46	because he or she is living in circumstances described in
47	paragraphs (a)-(e).
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49	The <u>terms do</u> term does not refer to <u>an</u> any individual imprisoned
50	or otherwise detained pursuant to state or federal law <u>or to</u>
51	individuals or families who are sharing housing due to cultural
52	preferences, voluntary arrangements, or traditional networks of
53	support. The terms include an individual who has been released
54	from jail, prison, the juvenile justice system, the child
55	welfare system, a mental health and developmental disability
56	facility, a residential addiction treatment program, or a
57	hospital, for whom no subsequent residence has been identified,
58	and who lacks the resources and support network to obtain
59	housing.
60	(6) (5) "Local coalition for the homeless" means a coalition
61	established pursuant to s. 420.623.
62	(7) (6) "New and temporary homeless" means those individuals
63	or families who are homeless due to ${ m societal} \ { m external}$ factors $_{m au}$
64	such as unemployment or other loss of income, personal or
65	family-life crises, or the shortage of low-income housing.
66	(8) (7) "State Office on Homelessness" means the state office
67	created in s. 420.622 "Secretary" means the secretary of the
68	Department of Children and Family Services.