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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to the human papillomavirus; requiring
3 that the Department of Health adopt a rule adding the
4 human papillomavirus to the list of communicable
5 diseases for which immunizations are recommended;
6 requiring that schools provide the parents or
7 guardians of certain public school students
8 information regarding the human papillomavirus and the
9 availability of a vaccine; requiring that the
10 Department of Health prescribe the required
11 information; providing an effective date.

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

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15 Section 1. (1) By July 1, 2012, the Department of Health
16 shall adopt a rule adding the human papillomavirus to the list
17 of communicable diseases for which immunizations are
18 recommended.

19 (2) Beginning with the 2012-2013 school year, each school
20 shall provide the parent or guardian of a public school student
21 entering grade 6 for whom the human papillomavirus vaccine is
22 approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration
23 information, which the Department of Health shall prescribe,
24 regarding the connection between the human papillomavirus and
25 cervical cancer. The information must also notify the parent or
26 guardian that a vaccine is available to help prevent human
27 papillomavirus infection and that the vaccine is recommended to
28 be given to females before they enter grade 8.

29 Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.