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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to children's initiatives; amending s.
3 409.147, F.S.; establishing the New Town Success Zone
4 in Duval County and the Parramore Kidz Zone in Orange
5 County; providing for the projects to be managed by
6 corporations not for profit that are not subject to
7 control, supervision, or direction by any department
8 of the state; requiring the corporations to be subject
9 to state public records and meeting requirements and
10 procurement of commodities and contractual services
11 requirements; requiring designated children's
12 initiatives to assist in the creation of community-
13 based service networks and programming that provides
14 certain services for children and families residing in
15 disadvantaged areas of the state; providing for
16 evaluation, fiscal management, and oversight of the
17 projects; providing an effective date.

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

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21 Section 1. Present subsection (9) of section 409.147,
22 Florida Statutes, is renumbered as subsection (11) and amended,
23 and new subsections (9) and (10) are added to that section, to
24 read:

25 409.147 Children's initiatives.—

26 (9) CREATION OF THE NEW TOWN SUCCESS ZONE.—

27 (a) There is created within the City of Jacksonville
28 Council District 9 in Duval County a 10-year project that shall
29 be managed by an entity organized as a corporation not for

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30 profit that is registered, incorporated, organized, and operated
31 in compliance with chapter 617. The New Town Success Zone is not
32 subject to control, supervision, or direction by any department
33 of the state in any manner. The Legislature determines, however,
34 that public policy dictates that the corporation operate in the
35 most open and accessible manner consistent with its public
36 purpose. Therefore, the Legislature declares that the
37 corporation is subject to chapter 119, relating to public
38 records, chapter 286, relating to public meetings and records,
39 and chapter 287, relating to procurement of commodities or
40 contractual services.

41 (b) This initiative is designed to encompass an area that
42 is large enough to include all of the necessary components of
43 community life, including, but not limited to, schools, places
44 of worship, recreational facilities, commercial areas, and
45 common space, yet small enough to allow programs and services to
46 reach every member of the neighborhood who is willing to
47 participate in the project.

48 (10) CREATION OF THE PARRAMORE KIDZ ZONE.—

49 (a) There is created within the City of Orlando in Orange
50 County a 10-year project managed by an entity organized as a
51 corporation not for profit that is registered, incorporated,
52 organized, and operated in compliance with chapter 617. The
53 Parramore Kidz Zone program is not subject to the control,
54 supervision, or direction of any department of the state. The
55 Legislature determines, however, that public policy dictates
56 that the corporation operate in the most open and accessible
57 manner consistent with its public purpose. Therefore, the
58 Legislature specifically declares that the corporation is

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59 subject to chapter 119, relating to public records, chapter 286,
60 relating to public meetings and records, and chapter 287,
61 relating to procurement of commodities or contractual services.

62 (b) This initiative is designed to encompass an area that
63 is large enough to include all of the necessary components of
64 community life, including, but not limited to, schools, places
65 of worship, recreational facilities, commercial areas, and
66 common space, yet small enough to allow programs and services to
67 reach every member of the neighborhood who is willing to
68 participate in the project.

69 (11)~~(9)~~ IMPLEMENTATION.-

70 (a) The Miami's Children's Initiative, Inc., the New Town
71 Success Zone, and the Parramore Kidz Zone have been designated
72 as Florida Children's Initiatives consistent with the
73 legislative intent and purpose of s. 16, chapter 2009-43, Laws
74 of Florida, and as such shall each assist the disadvantaged
75 areas of the state in creating a community-based service network
76 and programming that develops, coordinates, and provides quality
77 education, accessible health care, youth development programs,
78 opportunities for employment, and safe and affordable housing
79 for children and families living within their boundaries.

80 (b) In order to implement this section, the Miami
81 Children's Initiative, Inc., and the Department of Children and
82 Families ~~Family Services~~ shall contract with a not-for-profit
83 corporation, to work in collaboration with the governing body to
84 adopt the resolution described in subsection (4), to establish
85 the planning team as provided in subsection (5), and to develop
86 and adopt the strategic community plan as provided in subsection
87 (6). The not-for-profit corporation is also responsible for the

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88 development of a business plan and for the evaluation, fiscal
89 management, and oversight of the Miami Children's Initiative,
90 Inc.

91 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013.