

1                   A bill to be entitled  
 2           An act relating to the Department of Elderly Affairs;  
 3           directing the Office of Program Policy Analysis and  
 4           Government Accountability to conduct a review and  
 5           evaluation of the functions of the Department of  
 6           Elderly Affairs; requiring the office to consult with  
 7           and obtain the assistance of certain state agencies  
 8           and to consult with certain stakeholders regarding the  
 9           review and evaluation; requiring the office to submit  
 10          a report to the Governor, the Legislature, and the  
 11          Secretary of Elderly Affairs by a specified date;  
 12          providing an effective date.

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

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 16           Section 1. Review and evaluation of the Department of  
 17           Elderly Affairs.—

18           (1) The Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government  
 19           Accountability shall conduct a review and evaluation of the  
 20           Department of Elderly Affairs established under s. 20.41,  
 21           Florida Statutes. The review and evaluation shall be  
 22           comprehensive in its scope and, at a minimum, must:

23           (a) Identify the specific purpose of each office,  
 24           division, program, and function within the department.

25           (b) Identify funding for and the funding sources of each  
 26           office, division, program, and function within the department.

27           (c) Determine the impact on the workload of each office,  
 28           division, program, and function within the department of the

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29 expiration on October 1, 2013, of certain Medicaid waiver  
30 programs.

31 (d) Determine whether the department may be organized more  
32 efficiently and effectively to avoid duplication of activities  
33 and ensure that activities are well coordinated, including  
34 whether each office, division, program, and its respective  
35 functions, mission, goals, and objectives should be revised.

36 (e) Determine whether any department offices, divisions,  
37 programs, or functions may be performed more efficiently or  
38 effectively by another unit of government.

39 (f) Provide recommendations for the restructuring and  
40 relocation of department offices, divisions, programs, and  
41 functions.

42 (2) The office shall consult with the Department of  
43 Elderly Affairs, the Department of Agriculture and Consumer  
44 Services, the Department of Financial Services, the Agency for  
45 Health Care Administration, the Department of Children and  
46 Families, the Department of Health, the Department of Economic  
47 Opportunity, and the Justice Administrative Commission. All  
48 executive branch agencies are instructed, and all other state  
49 agencies are requested, to assist the office in accomplishing  
50 the purposes set forth in this section.

51 (3) The office shall consult with interested stakeholders  
52 to solicit information and input regarding the review and  
53 evaluation of the Department of Elderly Affairs. Consultation  
54 with stakeholders may be accomplished through interviews,  
55 surveys, or any other manner deemed appropriate by the office.

56 (4) By December 31, 2013, the office shall submit a report

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57 | of its findings and recommendations to the Governor, the  
58 | President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of  
59 | Representatives, the chairs of the appropriations committees and  
60 | of the appropriate substantive committees of the Senate and the  
61 | House of Representatives, the Legislative Auditing Committee,  
62 | and the Secretary of Elderly Affairs.

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