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COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

ADOPTED	<u> </u>	(Y/N)
ADOPTED AS AMENDED	<u> </u>	(Y/N)
ADOPTED W/O OBJECTION	<u> </u>	(Y/N)
FAILED TO ADOPT	<u> </u>	(Y/N)
WITHDRAWN	<u> </u>	(Y/N)
OTHER	<u> </u>	

1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Health & Human Services
2 Committee
3 Representative Harrell offered the following:

Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 84 and 85, insert:

7 Section 3. Section 383.146, Florida Statutes, is created
8 to read:

9 383.146 Infants and toddlers who are deaf or hard of
10 hearing; notice of service providers.-

11 (1) At the time that an audiologist diagnoses an infant or
12 toddler as having a permanent hearing impairment, the
13 audiologist or their designee shall ask the child's parent or
14 legal guardian if he or she would like to provide contact
15 information to receive direct correspondence from qualified
16 Early Steps providers that offer early intervention services and
17 who specialize in serving children with hearing loss. A parent

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18 or legal guardian shall authorize the release of the contact
19 information by signing a consent form.

20 (2) The department shall post on its website a list of
21 qualified Early Steps providers of early intervention services
22 who specialize in serving children with hearing loss and who
23 have notified the department of their interest to provide direct
24 communication to families who wish to receive information about
25 the services that they provide.

26 (3) The audiologist or designee shall send by secure
27 transmission the consent form to those providers listed on the
28 department's website.

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Remove line 10 and insert:

a cross-reference; creating s. 383.146, F.S.; requiring an audiologist to provide an opportunity for the parent or legal guardian of an infant or toddler who is diagnosed with a permanent hearing impairment to provide contact information so that he or she may receive information directly from specified service providers; requiring the Department of Health to post a list of certain service providers and institutions; requiring the audiologist to transmit the information; providing an effective date.