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COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

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1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Appropriations Committee
 2 Representative Hudson offered the following:

Amendment (with title amendment)

5 Remove lines 2661-2751 and insert:

6 (2) The department shall issue a request for information
 7 for a comprehensive, results-oriented accountability system to
 8 assess the achievement of the outcome goals specified in s.
 9 409.986(2). The department shall use the request for
 10 information to identify system development and implementation
 11 approaches, technical and operational solutions, timeframes for
 12 implementation, pricing and costs and implementation
 13 considerations; assess respondents' experience in providing
 14 similar systems and interest in providing this system; and
 15 generate any other information determined by the department to
 16 be of use in establishing the system. The purpose of the system
 17 is to monitor and measure the use of resources, the quality and

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18 amount of services provided, and child and family outcomes
19 through data analysis, research review and evaluation. The
20 system shall provide information about individual entities'
21 performance as well as the performance of groups of entities
22 working together as an integrated system of care on a local,
23 regional, and statewide basis. Data generated by the system
24 shall inform the department's development and maintenance of an
25 inclusive, interactive, and evidence-supported program of
26 quality improvement that promotes individual skill building as
27 well as organizational learning. Additionally, data generated by
28 the system shall provide the basis for performance incentives if
29 funds for such payments are made available through the General
30 Appropriations Act. The request for information shall generate
31 information for a system that must incorporate, at a minimum:

32 (a) Valid and reliable outcome measures for each of the
33 goals specified in this subsection. The outcome data set must
34 consist of a limited number of understandable measures using
35 available data to quantify outcomes as children move through the
36 system of care. Such measures may aggregate multiple variables
37 that affect the overall achievement of the outcome goals. Valid
38 and reliable measures must be based on adequate sample sizes, be
39 gathered over suitable time periods, and reflect authentic
40 rather than spurious results, and may not be susceptible to
41 manipulation.

42 (b) A monitoring system to track the identified outcome
43 measures on a statewide, regional, and provider-specific basis.

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44 The monitoring system must identify trends and chart progress
45 toward achievement of the goals specified in this section. The
46 accountability system may not rank or compare performance among
47 community-based care regions unless adequate and specific
48 adjustments are adopted that account for the diversity in
49 regions' demographics, resources, and other relevant
50 characteristics. The requirements of the monitoring system may
51 be incorporated into the quality assurance program required
52 under s. 409.996(18).

53 (c) An analytical system that builds on the outcomes
54 monitoring system to assess the statistical validity of observed
55 associations between child welfare interventions and the
56 measured outcomes. The analysis must use quantitative methods to
57 adjust for variations in demographic or other conditions. The
58 analysis must include longitudinal studies to evaluate longer
59 term outcomes such as continued safety, family permanence, and
60 transition to self-sufficiency. The analysis may also include
61 qualitative research methods to provide insight into statistical
62 patterns.

63 (d) A program of research review to identify interventions
64 that are supported by evidence as causally linked to improved
65 outcomes.

66 (e) An ongoing process of evaluation to determine the
67 efficacy and effectiveness of various interventions. Efficacy
68 evaluation is intended to determine the validity of a causal
69 relationship between an intervention and an outcome.

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70 Effectiveness evaluation is intended to determine the extent to
71 which the results can be generalized.

72 (f) A method for making the results of the accountability
73 system transparent for all parties involved in the child welfare
74 system as well as policymakers and the public, which shall be
75 made available to the public at least quarterly through
76 publication on the department's website in a manner that allows
77 custom searches of the performance data. The presentation of the
78 data shall provide a comprehensible, visual report card for the
79 state and each community-based care region, indicating the
80 current status relative to each goal and trends in that status
81 over time. The presentation shall identify and report outcome
82 measures that assess the performance of the department,
83 community-based care lead agency, and its subcontractors working
84 together as an integrated system of care.

85 (g) Collaboration with the department to produce an annual
86 report on the statewide and individual community-based care lead
87 agency results for child protection and child welfare systems.
88 The department shall use the accountability system and consult
89 with the community alliance and the dependency judge or judges
90 in the community-based care service area to prepare the report,
91 and shall submit the report to the Governor, the President of
92 the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by
93 October 1 of each year.

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95 The department shall submit a report to the Governor, the
96 President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of
97 Representatives by February 1, 2015, summarizing the responses
98 to the request for information required by this section, and
99 providing the department's recommendations regarding
100 procurement, expected system costs, and implementation of the
101 system.

102 (3) The department shall establish a technical advisory
103 panel consisting of representatives from the Florida Institute
104 for Child Welfare established pursuant to s. 1004.615, lead
105 agencies, community-based care providers, other contract
106 providers, community alliances, and family representatives. The
107 President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of
108 Representatives shall each appoint a member to serve as a
109 legislative liaison to the panel. The technical advisory panel
110 shall advise the department on meeting the requirements of this
111 section.

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118 Remove lines 122-126 and insert:
119 department to issue a request for information for an
120 accountability system; establishing requirements and for the

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121 request for information; requiring an annual report to the
122 Governor and the Legislature; requiring a report to the Governor
123 and Legislature on the results of the request for information;
124 requiring the department to establish a technical advisory
125 panel; creating
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