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<u>Senate</u> <u>House</u>

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Representative Richardson offered the following:

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Amendment (with title amendment)

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Between lines 400 and 401, insert:

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Section 3. <u>Sections 4 and 5 of this act may be cited as</u> the "Miami-Dade Infectious Disease Elimination Act (IDEA)."

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Section 4. Section 381.0038, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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381.0038 Education; sterile needle and syringe exchange pilot program.—The Department of Health shall establish a program to educate the public about the threat of acquired immune deficiency syndrome.

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(1) The acquired immune deficiency syndrome education program shall:

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- (a) Be designed to reach all segments of Florida's population;
- (b) Contain special components designed to reach non-English-speaking and other minority groups within the state;
- (c) Impart knowledge to the public about methods of transmission of acquired immune deficiency syndrome and methods of prevention;
- (d) Educate the public about transmission risks in social, employment, and educational situations;
- (e) Educate health care workers and health facility employees about methods of transmission and prevention in their unique workplace environments;
- (f) Contain special components designed to reach persons who may frequently engage in behaviors placing them at a high risk for acquiring acquired immune deficiency syndrome;
- (g) Provide information and consultation to state agencies to educate all state employees; and
- (h) Provide information and consultation to state and local agencies to educate law enforcement and correctional personnel and inmates: \cdot
- (i) Provide information and consultation to local governments to educate local government employees;
- (j) Make information available to private employers and encourage them to distribute this information to their employees; $\overline{\cdot}$

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- (k) Contain special components which emphasize appropriate behavior and attitude change; and $\overline{\cdot}$
- (1) Contain components that include information about domestic violence and the risk factors associated with domestic violence and AIDS.
- (2) The <u>education</u> program designed by the Department of Health shall <u>use utilize</u> all forms of the media and shall place emphasis on the design of educational materials that can be used by businesses, schools, and health care providers in the regular course of their business.
- (3) The department may contract with other persons in the design, development, and distribution of the components of the education program.
- establish a single sterile needle and syringe exchange pilot program in Miami-Dade County. The pilot program may operate at a fixed location or through a mobile health unit. The pilot program shall offer the free exchange of clean, unused needles and hypodermic syringes for used needles and hypodermic syringes as a means to prevent the transmission of HIV, AIDS, viral hepatitis, or other blood-borne diseases among intravenous drug users and their sexual partners and offspring.
 - (a) The pilot program shall:
- 1. Provide for maximum security of exchange sites and equipment, including an accounting of the number of needles and syringes in use, the number of needles and syringes in storage,

- safe disposal of returned needles, and any other measure that
 may be required to control the use and dispersal of sterile
 needles and syringes.
 - 2. Operate a one-to-one exchange, whereby the participant shall receive one sterile needle and syringe unit in exchange for each used one.
 - 3. Make available educational materials; HIV and viral hepatitis counseling and testing; referral services to provide education regarding HIV, AIDS, and viral hepatitis transmission; and drug-abuse prevention and treatment counseling and referral services.
 - (b) The possession, distribution, or exchange of needles or syringes as part of the pilot program established under this subsection is not a violation of any part of chapter 893 or any other law.
 - (c) A pilot program staff member, volunteer, or participant is not immune from criminal prosecution for:
 - 1. The possession of needles or syringes that are not a part of the pilot program; or
 - 2. Redistribution of needles or syringes in any form, if acting outside the pilot program.
 - (d) The pilot program shall collect data for annual and final reporting purposes, which shall include information on the number of participants served; the number of needles and syringes exchanged and distributed; the demographic profiles of the participants served; the number of participants entering

drug counseling and treatment; the number of participants
receiving HIV, AIDS, or viral hepatitis testing; and other dat
deemed necessary for the pilot program. However, personal
identifying information may not be collected from a participan
for any purpose.

- (e) State funds may not be used to operate the pilot program. The pilot program shall be funded through grants and donations from private resources and funds.
- months before the pilot program expires, the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability shall submit a report to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives that includes the data collection requirements established in this subsection; the rates of HIV, AIDS, viral hepatitis, or other blood-borne diseases before the pilot program began and every subsequent year thereafter; and a recommendation on whether to continue the pilot program.

Section 5. If any provision of this act or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or applications of the act that can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this act are severable.

TITLE AMENDMENT

Bill No. CS/CS/HB 321 (2015)

Amendment No.

118 Remove lines 2-7 and insert: 119 An act relating to infectious diseases; amending s. 120 381.004, F.S.; revising and providing definitions; 121 specifying the notification and consent procedures for 122 performing HIV tests in health care and nonhealth care 123 settings; amending s. 456.032, F.S.; conforming a 124 cross-reference; creating the "Miami-Dade Infectious 125 Disease Elimination Act (IDEA)"; amending s. 381.0038, 126 F.S.; authorizing the University of Miami and its 127 affiliates to establish a sterile needle and syringe exchange pilot program in Miami-Dade County; 128 129 establishing pilot program criteria; providing that 130 the distribution of needles and syringes under the 131 pilot program is not a violation of the Florida Comprehensive Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Act or 132 133 any other law; providing conditions under which a 134 pilot program staff member or participant may be 135 prosecuted; prohibiting the collection of participant identifying information; providing for the pilot 136 137 program to be funded through private grants and 138 donations; providing for expiration of the pilot program; requiring the Office of Program Policy 139 140 Analysis and Government Accountability to submit a 141 report and recommendations regarding the pilot program 142 to the Legislature; providing for severability; providing an effective date. 143

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