

Amendment No.

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WITHDRAWN	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: Children, Families &  
 2 Seniors Subcommittee  
 3 Representative Porter offered the following:

**Amendment (with title amendment)**

6 Remove everything after the enacting clause and insert:  
 7 Section 1. Section 937.041, Florida Statutes is created to  
 8 read:

9 937.041 Missing person with special needs pilot program.-

10 (1) There is created a pilot project in Baker, Columbia,  
 11 Hamilton, and Suwannee Counties to be known as Project Leo for  
 12 the purpose of providing personal devices to aid search-and-  
 13 rescue efforts for persons with special needs in the case of  
 14 elopement.

15 (2) Participants for the pilot project shall be selected  
 16 based on criteria developed by the Center for Autism and Related  
 17 Disabilities at the University of Florida. Criteria for

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18 participation shall include, at a minimum, the individual's risk  
19 of elopement. The qualifying participants shall be selected on a  
20 first-come, first-served basis by the center to the extent of  
21 available funding. The project shall be voluntary and free to  
22 participants.

23 (3) Under the pilot project, personal devices to aid  
24 search-and-rescue efforts that are attachable to clothing or  
25 otherwise worn shall be provided by the center to the sheriff's  
26 offices of the participating counties. The devices shall be  
27 distributed to project participants by the county sheriff's  
28 offices in conjunction with the center. The project shall fund  
29 any costs associated with monitoring of the devices.

30 (4) The center shall submit a preliminary report by  
31 December 1, 2015, and a final report by December 15, 2016, to  
32 the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of  
33 the House of Representatives describing the implementation and  
34 operation of the pilot project. At a minimum, the report shall  
35 include the criteria used to select participants, the number of  
36 participants, the age of the participants, the nature of the  
37 participants' special needs, the number of participants who  
38 elope, the amount of time taken to rescue following elopement,  
39 and the outcome of any rescue attempts. The final report shall  
40 also provide recommendations for modification or continued  
41 implementation of the program.

42 (6) The project shall operate to the extent of available  
43 funding.

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44        (7) This section expires June 30, 2017.

45 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015.

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48 Remove everything before the enacting clause and insert:  
49 An act relating to missing person with special needs;  
50 creating s. 937.041, F.S.; creating a pilot project in  
51 specified counties to provide personal assistive technology  
52 devices to persons with special needs to aid search-and-  
53 rescue efforts; providing for administration of the  
54 project; requiring reports; providing for expiration;  
55 providing an effective date.