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The Conference Committee on SB 2510-A recommended the following:

1 **Senate Conference Committee Amendment (with title**
2 **amendment)**

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4 Delete everything after the enacting clause
5 and insert:

6 Section 1. Section 409.991, Florida Statutes, is amended to
7 read:

8 409.991 Allocation of funds for community-based care lead
9 agencies.—

10 (1) As used in this section, the term:

11 (a) "Core services funds ~~funding~~" means all funds allocated



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12 to community-based care lead agencies operating under contract
13 with the department pursuant to s. 409.987, with the following
14 exceptions:

- 15 1. Funds appropriated for independent living;
- 16 2. Funds appropriated for maintenance adoption subsidies;
- 17 3. Funds allocated by the department for protective
18 investigations training;
- 19 4. Nonrecurring funds;
- 20 5. Designated mental health wrap-around services funds; and
- 21 6. Funds for special projects for a designated community-
22 based care lead agency.

23 (b) "Equity allocation model" means an allocation model
24 that uses the following factors:

- 25 1. Proportion of the child population ~~children in poverty;~~
- 26 2. Proportion of child abuse hotline workload; and
- 27 3. Proportion of children in care; ~~and~~
- 28 4. ~~Proportion of contribution in the reduction of out-of-~~
29 ~~home care.~~

30 (c) "Proportion of child population" means the proportion
31 of children up to 18 years of age during the previous calendar
32 year in the geographic area served by the community-based care
33 lead agency ~~"Proportion of children in poverty" means the~~
34 ~~average of the proportion of children in the geographic area~~
35 ~~served by the community-based care lead agency based on the~~
36 ~~following subcomponents:~~

- 37 1. ~~Children up to 18 years of age who are below the poverty~~
38 ~~level as determined by the latest available Small Area Income~~
39 ~~and Poverty Estimates (SAIPE) from the United States Census~~
40 ~~Bureau;~~



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41 ~~2. Children eligible for free or reduced price meals as~~
42 ~~determined by the latest available survey published by the~~
43 ~~Department of Education; and~~

44 ~~3. The number of children in families receiving benefits~~
45 ~~from the federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program~~
46 ~~(SNAP) in the most recent month as determined by the department.~~

47 (d) "Proportion of child abuse hotline workload" means the
48 weighted average of the following subcomponents:

49 1. The average number of initial and additional child abuse
50 reports received during the month for the most recent 12 months
51 based on child protective investigations trend reports as
52 determined by the department. This subcomponent shall be
53 weighted as 20 percent of the factor.

54 2. The average count of children in investigations in the
55 most recent 12 months based on child protective investigations
56 trend reports as determined by the department. This subcomponent
57 shall be weighted as 40 percent of the factor.

58 3. The average count of children in investigations with a
59 most serious finding of verified abuse in the most recent 12
60 months based on child protective investigations trend reports as
61 determined by the department. This subcomponent shall be
62 weighted as 40 percent of the factor.

63 (e) "Proportion of children in care" means the proportion
64 ~~of the sum~~ of the number of children in care receiving in-home
65 services and the number of children in out-of-home care with a
66 case management overlay during the most recent 12-month period.
67 This subcomponent shall be weighted as follows:

68 1. Sixty percent shall be based on children in out-of-home
69 care.



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70 2. Forty percent shall be based on children in in-home care
71 ~~at the end of the most recent month as reported in the child~~
72 ~~welfare services trend reports as determined by the department.~~

73 ~~(f) "Proportion of contribution in the reduction of out-of-~~
74 ~~home care" means the proportion of the number of children in~~
75 ~~out-of-home care on December 31, 2006, minus the number of~~
76 ~~children in out-of-home care as of the end of the most recent~~
77 ~~month as reported in the child welfare services trend reports as~~
78 ~~determined by the department.~~

79 (2) The equity allocation of core services funds shall be
80 calculated based on the following weights:

81 (a) Proportion of the child population ~~children in poverty~~
82 shall be weighted as 5 ~~30~~ percent of the total;

83 (b) Proportion of child abuse hotline workload shall be
84 weighted as 15 ~~30~~ percent of the total; and

85 (c) Proportion of children in care shall be weighted as 80
86 ~~30~~ percent of the total; and

87 ~~(d) Proportion of contribution to the reduction in out-of-~~
88 ~~home care shall be weighted as 10 percent of the total.~~

89 (3) Beginning in the 2015-2016 ~~2013-2014~~ state fiscal year,
90 100 ~~90~~ percent of the recurring core services funding for each
91 community-based care lead agency shall be based on the prior
92 year recurring base of core services funds and ~~10 percent shall~~
93 ~~be based on the equity allocation model.~~

94 (4) Unless otherwise specified in the General
95 Appropriations Act, any new core services funds shall be
96 allocated based on the equity allocation model as follows:

97 (a) Twenty percent of new funding shall be allocated among
98 all community-based care lead agencies.



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99 (b) Eighty percent of new funding shall be allocated among
100 community-based care lead agencies that are funded below their
101 equitable share. Funds allocated pursuant to this paragraph
102 shall be weighted based on each community-based care lead
103 agency's relative proportion of the total amount of funding
104 below the equitable share. ~~Such allocations must be proportional~~
105 to the proportion of funding based on the equity model and
106 allocated only to the community-based care lead agency contracts
107 if the current funding proportion is less than the proportion of
108 funding based on the equity model.

109 Section 2. Effective January 1, 2016, section 414.455,
110 Florida Statutes, is created to read:

111 414.455 Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program;
112 legislative authorization.—Notwithstanding s. 414.45, and unless
113 expressly required by federal law, the department shall obtain
114 specific authorization from the Legislature before seeking,
115 applying for, accepting, or renewing any waiver of work
116 requirements established by the Supplemental Nutrition
117 Assistance Program under 7 U.S.C. s. 2015(o).

118 Section 3. If any law amended by this act was also amended
119 by a law enacted during the 2015 Regular Session of the
120 Legislature, such laws shall be construed as if enacted during
121 the same session of the Legislature, and full effect shall be
122 given to each if possible.

123 Section 4. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this
124 act and except for this section, which shall take effect upon
125 this act becoming a law, this act shall take effect July 1,
126 2015, or, if this act fails to become a law until after that
127 date, it shall take effect upon becoming a law and operate



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128 retroactively to July 1, 2015.

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130 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

131 And the title is amended as follows:

132 Delete everything before the enacting clause
133 and insert:

134 A bill to be entitled
135 An act relating to the Department of Children and
136 Families; amending s. 409.991, F.S.; revising the
137 equity allocation model for funding community-based
138 care lead agencies; defining the term "proportion of
139 child population"; revising the term "proportion of
140 children in care"; creating s. 414.455, F.S.;
141 requiring the department to receive legislative
142 authorization before seeking, applying for, accepting,
143 or renewing any waiver of work requirements under the
144 federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program;
145 providing for construction of the act in pari materia
146 with laws enacted during the 2015 Regular Session of
147 the Legislature; providing for contingent retroactive
148 operation; providing effective dates.