

By the Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and
Senator Campbell

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to the Florida Kidcare program;
3 establishing the Kidcare Operational Efficiency and
4 Health Care Improvement Workgroup as a task force
5 administratively housed in the Department of Health to
6 maximize the return on investment and enhance the
7 operational efficiencies of the Florida Kidcare
8 program; providing program duties and membership;
9 requiring a report to the Governor and Legislature;
10 providing for expiration of the workgroup; providing
11 an effective date.

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13 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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15 Section 1. Kidcare Operational Efficiency and Health Care
16 Improvement Workgroup.—The Kidcare Operational Efficiency and
17 Health Care Improvement Workgroup, a task force as defined in s.
18 20.03, is established to maximize the return on investment and
19 streamline and enhance the operational efficiencies of the
20 Florida Kidcare program to provide improved health care services
21 to children. The workgroup shall be administratively housed in
22 the Department of Health. Members of the workgroup shall serve
23 on a voluntary basis.

24 (1) The workgroup shall be convened and staffed by the
25 Florida Healthy Kids Corporation and shall consist of the
26 following members:

27 (a) The President of the Florida Chapter of the American
28 Academy of Pediatrics or a designee.

29 (b) The State Health Officer or a designee.

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30 (c) The Secretary of Health Care Administration or a
31 designee with a background in children's health policy.

32 (d) The assistant secretary for child welfare of the
33 Department of Children and Families or a designee.

34 (e) A representative of directors of the Florida Healthy
35 Kids Corporation.

36 (f) A representative of the Florida Association of
37 Children's Hospitals, Inc.

38 (g) A representative of the Florida Covering Kids and
39 Families Coalition.

40 (h) A representative of the Florida Association of Health
41 Plans.

42 (i) A representative of the Florida Children's Council with
43 a background in children's health policy.

44 (j) A representative of the Florida Dental Association.

45 (k) The Director of Children's Medical Services or a
46 designee.

47 (1) A parent with a child in the Florida Kidcare program.

48 (2) The workgroup shall:

49 (a) Examine successful and innovative models to provide
50 improved value and health care outcomes.

51 (b) Develop recommendations to streamline and unify the
52 program to provide greater operational efficiencies, including
53 recommendations for a single benefits package, a single set of
54 performance measures, and a single third-party administrator.

55 (c) Provide any necessary transition plans.

56 (d) Provide recommendations regarding federal waivers for
57 children's health care to the Agency for Health Care
58 Administration, which shall obtain specific legislative

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59 authorization before seeking, applying for, accepting, or
60 renewing any federal waiver.

61 (3) The workgroup shall submit a report on its findings and
62 recommendations for streamlining the Florida Kidcare program to
63 the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of
64 the House of Representatives by December 31, 2017.

65 (4) This section expires December 31, 2017.

66 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2017.