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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Committee on Appropriations (Perry) recommended the following:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

Before line 15

insert:

Section 1. Section 683.231, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

683.231 Citizen support organization for Florida Missing Children's Day.—

(1) The Department of Law Enforcement may establish a citizen support organization to provide assistance, funding, and



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11 promotional support for activities authorized for Florida  
12 Missing Children's Day under s. 683.23.

13 (2) As used in this section, the term "citizen support  
14 organization" means an organization that is:

15 (a) A Florida corporation not for profit incorporated under  
16 chapter 617 and approved by the Department of State.

17 (b) Organized and operated to conduct programs and  
18 activities; raise funds; request and receive grants, gifts, and  
19 bequests of money; acquire, receive, hold, invest, and  
20 administer, in its own name, securities, funds, objects of  
21 value, or other property, either real or personal; and make  
22 expenditures to or for the direct or indirect benefit of the  
23 department in furtherance of Florida Missing Children's Day.

24 (3) The citizen support organization is not a registered  
25 lobbyist within the meaning of s. 11.045.

26 (4) The citizen support organization is specifically  
27 authorized to collect and expend funds to be used for awards;  
28 public awareness and awards ceremonies, workshops, and other  
29 meetings, including distribution materials for public education  
30 and awareness; travel; Internet and web-hosting services;  
31 administrative costs, including personnel costs; costs of  
32 audits; and costs of facilities rental.

33 (5) The activities of the citizen support organization must  
34 be determined by the department to be consistent with the goals  
35 and mission of the department and in the best interests of the  
36 state and approved in writing by the department to operate for  
37 the direct or indirect benefit of the department. The approval  
38 shall be given in a letter of agreement from the department.

39 (6) (a) The department may fix and collect charges for the



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40 rental of facilities and properties managed by the department  
41 and may permit, without charge, appropriate use of  
42 administrative services, property, and facilities of the  
43 department by the citizen support organization, subject to this  
44 section. The use must be directly in keeping with the approved  
45 purposes of the citizen support organization and may not be made  
46 at times or places that would unreasonably interfere with  
47 opportunities for the public to use such facilities for  
48 established purposes. Any money received from rentals of  
49 facilities and properties managed by the department may be held  
50 in the Operating Trust Fund of the department or in a separate  
51 depository account in the name of the citizen support  
52 organization and subject to the provisions of the letter of  
53 agreement with the department. The letter of agreement must  
54 provide that any funds held in the separate depository account  
55 in the name of the citizen support organization must revert to  
56 the department if the citizen support organization is no longer  
57 approved by the department to operate in the best interests of  
58 the state.

59 (b) The department may adopt rules with which a citizen  
60 support organization must comply in order to use department  
61 administrative services, property, or facilities.

62 (c) The department may not authorize ~~permit~~ the use of any  
63 administrative services, property, or facilities of the state by  
64 a citizen support organization that does not provide equal  
65 membership and employment opportunities to all persons  
66 regardless of race, color, religion, gender, age, or national  
67 origin.

68 (7) The citizen support organization shall provide for an



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69 independent annual financial audit in accordance with s.  
70 215.981. Copies of the audit shall be provided to the  
71 department, the Office of Policy and Budget in the Executive  
72 Office of the Governor, and the Florida Cabinet.

73 ~~(8) This section is repealed October 1, 2018, unless~~  
74 ~~reviewed and saved from repeal by the Legislature.~~

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

77 And the title is amended as follows:

78 Delete lines 2 - 10

79 and insert:

80 An act relating to missing persons; amending s.  
81 683.231, F.S.; abrogating the scheduled repeal of  
82 provisions relating to a citizen support organization  
83 for Florida Missing Children's Day; amending s.  
84 937.041, F.S.; expanding a pilot project for missing  
85 persons with special needs from specified counties to  
86 statewide, through regional autism centers; requiring  
87 each center that opts to join the pilot project to  
88 distribute personal devices to aid search-and-rescue  
89 efforts; requiring that participants be selected based  
90 on criteria developed by the respective participating  
91 centers; revising the requirements for personal  
92 devices used in the pilot project; deleting a  
93 reporting requirement; delaying the scheduled repeal  
94 of the pilot project; conforming provisions to changes  
95 made by the act; providing an