

Amendment No.

COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

ADOPTED	<u> </u>	(Y/N)
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OTHER	<u> </u>	

1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Criminal Justice
 2 Subcommittee

3 Representative Porter offered the following:

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5 **Amendment (with title amendment)**

6 Remove everything after the enacting clause and insert:

7 Section 1. Section 937.041, Florida Statutes, is amended
 8 to read:

9 937.041 Missing persons with special needs pilot
 10 projects.—

11 (1)~~(a)~~ There is created a statewide ~~pilot~~ project ~~in~~
 12 ~~Alachua, Baker, Columbia, Hamilton, and Suwannee Counties,~~ to be
 13 known as "Project Leo," to provide personal devices to aid
 14 search-and-rescue efforts for persons with special needs in the
 15 case of elopement through a center for autism and related
 16 disabilities at any state university listed under s. 1000.21(6).

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17 ~~(b) There is created an additional pilot project in Palm~~
18 ~~Beach County to provide personal devices to aid search and~~
19 ~~rescue efforts for persons with special needs in the case of~~
20 ~~elopement.~~

21 ~~(c) There is created an additional pilot project in~~
22 ~~Hillsborough County to provide personal devices to aid search~~
23 ~~and rescue efforts for persons with special needs in the case of~~
24 ~~elopement.~~

25 (2)(a)1. Participants for the ~~pilot~~ project specified in
26 ~~paragraph (1)(a)~~ shall be selected based on criteria developed
27 by the Center for Autism and Related Disabilities at the
28 University of Florida.

29 ~~2. Participants for the pilot project specified in~~
30 ~~paragraph (1)(b) shall be selected based on criteria developed~~
31 ~~by the Center for Autism and Related Disabilities at Florida~~
32 ~~Atlantic University.~~

33 ~~3. Participants for the pilot project specified in~~
34 ~~paragraph (1)(c) shall be selected based on criteria developed~~
35 ~~by the Center for Autism and Related Disabilities at the~~
36 ~~University of South Florida.~~

37 ~~(b)~~ Criteria for participation in the project ~~pilot~~
38 ~~projects~~ must include, at a minimum, the person's risk of
39 elopement. The qualifying participants shall be selected on a
40 first-come, first-served basis by the respective centers to the
41 extent of available funding within their existing resources. The

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42 ~~Each~~ project must be voluntary and free of charge to
43 participants.

44 (3) Under the ~~each pilot~~ project, personal devices to aid
45 search-and-rescue efforts which are attachable to clothing or
46 otherwise worn shall be provided by the respective center to the
47 sheriff's offices of the participating counties. The devices
48 shall be distributed to project participants by the county
49 sheriff's offices in conjunction with the respective center. The
50 respective center shall fund any costs associated with
51 monitoring the devices.

52 ~~(4) Each center shall submit a preliminary report by~~
53 ~~December 1, 2016, and a final report by December 15, 2017, to~~
54 ~~the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of~~
55 ~~the House of Representatives describing the implementation and~~
56 ~~operation of its pilot project. At a minimum, each report must~~
57 ~~include the criteria used to select participants, the number of~~
58 ~~participants, the nature of the participants' special needs, the~~
59 ~~number of participants who elope, the amount of time taken to~~
60 ~~rescue such participants following elopement, and the outcome of~~
61 ~~any rescue attempts. Each final report shall also provide~~
62 ~~recommendations for modification or continued implementation of~~
63 ~~the project.~~

64 (4)(5) The ~~Each~~ project shall operate to the extent of
65 available funding within the respective center's existing
66 resources.

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67 | ~~(5)-(6)~~ This section expires June 30, 2019 ~~2018~~.

68 | Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2018

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71 | **T I T L E A M E N D M E N T**

72 | Remove everything before the enacting clause and insert:

73 | An act relating to missing persons with special needs; amending

74 | s. 937.041, F.S.; expanding a project for missing persons with

75 | special needs to all centers for autism and related disabilities

76 | at any state university; providing an effective date.

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