

1                                   A bill to be entitled  
 2           An act relating to a long-acting reversible  
 3           contraception pilot program; creating s. 381.00515,  
 4           F.S.; requiring the Department of Health to establish  
 5           a long-acting reversible contraception pilot program  
 6           in Duval, Hillsborough, and Palm Beach Counties;  
 7           providing the purpose of the pilot program; requiring  
 8           the department to contract with family planning  
 9           providers to implement the pilot program; requiring  
 10          such contracts to include specified provisions;  
 11          requiring the department to apply for grants for  
 12          additional funding; requiring the department to submit  
 13          a report to the Governor and the Legislature by a  
 14          specified date; requiring the department to publish  
 15          the report on its website; specifying requirements for  
 16          the report; providing an appropriation; requiring the  
 17          department to distribute appropriated funds equally  
 18          among the participating counties; providing an  
 19          effective date.

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

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 23           Section 1.   Section 381.00515, Florida Statutes, is created  
 24   to read:  
 25           381.00515 Long-acting reversible contraception pilot

26 program.—

27 (1) The Department of Health shall establish a long-acting  
28 reversible contraception (LARC) pilot program in Duval,  
29 Hillsborough, and Palm Beach Counties. The purpose of the pilot  
30 program is to improve the provision of LARC services to women  
31 residing in the pilot program counties. The department shall  
32 contract for LARC services with eligible family planning  
33 providers to implement the pilot program in each of the three  
34 counties. Each contract must provide for all of the following:

35 (a) The provision of LARC services, including the  
36 administration of implants, injections, and intrauterine devices  
37 to participants.

38 (b) The training of provider staff regarding the provision  
39 of LARC services, counseling strategies, and the management of  
40 side effects.

41 (c) Technical assistance to providers regarding issues  
42 such as coding, billing, pharmacy rules, and clinic management  
43 necessitated by the increased use of LARC services.

44 (d) General support to providers to expand their service  
45 capacity.

46 (e) Marketing and community outreach regarding the  
47 availability of LARC services and other currently available  
48 contraceptive services.

49 (f) Other services that the department considers necessary  
50 to ensure the health and safety of women who receive LARC

51 services.

52 (2) The department shall apply for grants from federal  
53 agencies and other sources to supplement state funds provided  
54 for the pilot program.

55 (3) By January 1, 2021, the department shall submit a  
56 report to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the  
57 Speaker of the House of Representatives on the effectiveness of  
58 the pilot program. The department shall publish the report on  
59 its website. The report must include, but need not be limited  
60 to:

61 (a) An assessment of the operation of the pilot program,  
62 including any progress made in reducing the number of unintended  
63 pregnancies and subsequent births, especially among teenagers.

64 (b) An assessment of the effectiveness of the pilot  
65 program in increasing the availability of LARC services.

66 (c) The number and location of family planning providers  
67 that participated in the pilot program.

68 (d) The number of clients served by participating family  
69 planning providers.

70 (e) The number of times LARC services were provided by  
71 participating family planning providers.

72 (f) The average cost per client served.

73 (g) The demographic characteristics of clients served.

74 (h) The sources and amounts of funding used for the pilot  
75 program.

76        (i) A description of federal grants the department applied  
77 for in order to provide LARC services, including the outcomes of  
78 the grant applications.

79        (j) An analysis of the return on investment associated  
80 with the provision of LARC services with regard to tax dollars  
81 saved on health and social services.

82        (k) A description and analysis of marketing and outreach  
83 activities conducted to promote the availability of LARC  
84 services.

85        (l) Recommendations for improving the pilot program.

86        Section 2. For the 2019-2020 fiscal year, the sum of  
87 \$100,000 in nonrecurring funds is appropriated from the General  
88 Revenue Fund to the Department of Health for the purpose of  
89 implementing this act. The department shall distribute the funds  
90 equally among the three counties participating in the pilot  
91 program. These funds may not be used to supplant or reduce any  
92 other appropriation of state funds to family planning providers  
93 or to the department for family planning services.

94        Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2019.