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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate

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House

The Committee on Health Policy (Davis) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete lines 19 - 52

and insert:

Disease and Sickle Cell Trait Prevention, Care, and Treatment Act."

Section 2. Subsections (1) and (3) of section 381.815, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

381.815 Sickle cell ~~Sickle-cell~~ program; voluntary registry.—The Department of Health shall, to the extent that



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11 resources are available:

12 (1) Provide education to the citizens of Florida about
13 sickle cell ~~sickle-cell~~ disease.

14 (3) (a) 1. Establish a grant program for the prevention,
15 care, and treatment of sickle cell disease and sickle cell trait
16 or sickle cell trait carriers and for community-based
17 educational programs concerning the disease.

18 2. The community-based educational programs shall include
19 an outreach program that provides for the dissemination of
20 information relating to the prevention, care, and treatment of
21 sickle cell disease and sickle cell trait or sickle cell trait
22 carriers.

23 (b) Develop application criteria and standards of
24 eligibility for applicants for funds under the grant program.

25 1. Groups or organizations that meet the eligibility
26 standards developed by the department may apply for funds under
27 the program.

28 2.a. Priority for grants shall be given to established
29 sickle cell disease and sickle cell trait or sickle cell trait
30 carrier community-based applicants throughout this state.

31 b. Further priority shall be given to ensuring the
32 establishment of sickle cell disease and sickle cell trait or
33 sickle cell trait carrier centers in underserved areas with a
34 higher population of sickle cell disease and sickle cell trait
35 or sickle cell trait carrier patients.

36 (c) Require that all program grant funds be used for the
37 purpose of prevention, care, and treatment of sickle cell
38 disease or sickle cell trait or sickle cell trait carriers or
39 for educational programs concerning the disease.



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40 (d) Conduct a study to determine the prevalence, impact,
41 and needs of patients diagnosed with sickle cell disease or
42 sickle cell trait or sickle cell trait carriers in this state.

43 (e) Adopt rules necessary to implement this subsection ~~Make~~

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

46 And the title is amended as follows:

47 Delete lines 6 - 12

48 and insert:

49 disease and sickle cell trait or sickle cell trait
50 carriers and for certain educational programs;
51 requiring the department to develop application
52 criteria and standards of eligibility for grants under
53 the program; requiring the department to ensure that
54 grant funds are used for specified purposes; requiring
55 the department