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COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

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1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Children, Families &
2 Seniors Subcommittee
3 Representative Bracy Davis offered the following:

Amendment (with title amendment)

Remove everything after the enacting clause and insert:

8 Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1), paragraph (d)
9 of subsection (3), paragraph (a) of subsection (4), paragraphs
10 (a), (b), (d), and (g) of subsection (6), and subsections (7)
11 through (14) of section 409.147, Florida Statutes, are amended
12 to read:

13 409.147 Florida Children's Initiatives.—

14 (1) LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS AND INTENT.—

15 (a) The Legislature finds that:

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16 1. There are neighborhoods in the state where the
17 infrastructure and opportunities that middle-class communities
18 take for granted are nonexistent or so marginal that they are
19 ineffective.

20 2. In many instances, children living in these
21 neighborhoods are not read to by an adult on a regular basis and
22 attend a prekindergarten education program at a much lower rate
23 than children in other communities. These children experience
24 below-average performance on standardized tests and graduate
25 from high school in fewer numbers. Most of these children are
26 eligible for the free or reduced-price school lunch program.

27 3. Children in these neighborhoods often suffer from high
28 rates of asthma, a higher risk of lead poisoning, and inadequate
29 health care, and they are routinely exposed to violence and
30 crime.

31 4. In spite of these obstacles, these neighborhoods are
32 many times home to strong individuals and institutions that are
33 committed to making a difference in the lives of children and
34 their families.

35 (3) DEFINITIONS.—As used in this section, the term:

36 (d) "Resident" means a person who lives in or operates a
37 small community-based business or organization within the
38 boundaries of the children's initiative.

39 (4) CHILDREN'S INITIATIVE NOMINATING PROCESS.—A county or
40 municipality, or a county and one or more municipalities

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41 together, may apply to the Ounce to designate an area as a
42 Florida Children's Initiative after the governing body:

43 (a) Adopts a resolution that:

44 1. Finds that an area exists in such county or
45 municipality, or in the county and one or more municipalities,
46 that chronically exhibits extreme and unacceptable levels of
47 poverty, unemployment, physical deterioration, as well as
48 limited access to quality educational, health care, and social
49 services.

50 2. Determines that the rehabilitation, conservation, or
51 redevelopment, or a combination thereof, of the area is
52 necessary for ~~in~~ the interest of improving the health, wellness,
53 education, living conditions, and livelihoods of the children
54 and families who live in the county or municipality.

55 3. Determines that the revitalization of the area can
56 occur only if the state and the private sector invest resources
57 to improve infrastructure and the provision of services.

58 (6) CHILDREN'S INITIATIVE STRATEGIC COMMUNITY PLAN.—After
59 the governing body adopts the resolution described in subsection
60 (4), the working groups shall develop objectives and identify
61 strategies for each focus area. The objectives, specified by
62 focus area, for a working group may include, but not be limited
63 to:

64 (a) Early development and care of children.

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- 65 1. Providing resources to enable every child to be
66 adequately nurtured during the first 3 years of life.
- 67 2. Ensuring that all schools are ready for children and
68 all children are ready for school by the time they reach
69 kindergarten.
- 70 3. Facilitating enrollment in half-day or full-day
71 prekindergarten for all 3-year-old and 4-year-old children.
- 72 4. Strengthening parent and guardian relationships with
73 care providers.
- 74 5. Providing support and education for families and child
75 care providers.
- 76 (b) Education of children and youth.
- 77 1. Increasing the level and degree of knowledge and
78 accountability of persons who are responsible for the
79 development and well-being of all children in the Florida
80 Children's Initiatives Initiative.
- 81 2. Transforming ~~Changing~~ the structure and function of
82 schools to increase the quality and amount of time spent on
83 instruction and increase programmatic options and offerings.
- 84 3. Creating a safe and respectful environment for student
85 learning.
- 86 4. Identifying and supporting points of alignment between
87 the children's initiative community plan and the school
88 district's strategic plan.
- 89 (d) Youth support.

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90 1. Increasing the high school graduation, postsecondary
91 enrollment, and postsecondary completion rates among
92 neighborhood youth ~~rate~~.

93 2. Increasing leadership development and employment
94 opportunities for youth.

95 (g) Community safety.

96 1. Providing a safe environment for all children at home,
97 in school, and in the community.

98 2. Eliminating the economic, political, and social forces
99 that lead to a lack of safety within the family, the community,
100 schools, and institutional structures.

101 3. Assessing policies and practices, including sentencing,
102 incarceration, detention, and data reporting, ~~in order~~ to reduce
103 youth incarceration, violence, crime, and recidivism.

104 (7) CHILDREN'S INITIATIVE CORPORATION.—

105 (a) The Florida Children's Initiatives as specified in
106 subsections (9)-(13) are administratively housed within the
107 Department of Children and Families. However, these initiatives
108 are not subject to control, supervision, or direction by the
109 Department of Children and Families or any department of the
110 state.

111 (b) After the governing body adopts the resolution
112 described in subsection (4), establishes the planning team as
113 provided in subsection (5), and develops and adopts the
114 strategic community plan as provided in subsection (6), the

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115 county or municipality shall either identify an existing,
116 qualified not-for-profit corporation, or create a not-for-profit
117 corporation not for profit which shall be registered,
118 incorporated, organized, and operated in compliance with chapter
119 617. The purpose of the corporation is to facilitate
120 fundraising, to secure broad community ownership of the Florida
121 Children's Initiative, and, if the area selected by the
122 governing body is designated as a Florida Children's Initiative,
123 to:

124 1. Begin to transfer responsibility for planning from the
125 planning team to the corporation.

126 2. Begin the implementation and governance of the
127 children's initiative community plan.

128 3. Update the strategic community plan every 5 years to
129 reflect, at a minimum, the current status of the area served by
130 the Florida Children's Initiative; the goals, objectives, and
131 strategies for each focus area; and the tasks required to
132 implement the strategies for the upcoming year.

133 ~~(c)(b)~~ The Ounce must provide technical assistance to the
134 corporation to facilitate the achievement of the plans created
135 under subsection (6).

136 (8) REQUIREMENTS FOR RECEIVING STATE FUNDING.—Unless
137 otherwise specified in the general appropriations act:

138 (a) State funding for Florida Children's Initiatives must
139 be awarded through a performance-based contract that links

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140 payments to the achievement of outcomes directly related to the
141 goals, objectives, strategies, and tasks outlined in the
142 strategic community plan.

143 (b) This act is intended to support the development of a
144 network of Florida Children's Initiatives sites in disadvantaged
145 neighborhoods throughout this state. To that end, counties that
146 do not currently have a Florida Children's Initiative and are
147 trying to establish an initiative have priority for designation
148 by the Ounce funding available under this subsection.

149 (9) ~~CREATION OF MIAMI CHILDREN'S INITIATIVE, INC.-~~

150 (a) There is created within the Liberty City neighborhood
151 in Miami-Dade County a ~~10-year~~ project called the Miami
152 Children's Initiative ~~that shall be~~ managed by an entity
153 organized as a not-for-profit corporation ~~not for profit which~~
154 ~~shall be~~ registered, incorporated, organized, and operated in
155 compliance with chapter 617 and this section. ~~An entity may not~~
156 ~~be incorporated until the governing body has adopted the~~
157 ~~resolution described in subsection (4), has established the~~
158 ~~planning team as provided in subsection (5), and has developed~~
159 ~~and adopted the strategic community plan as provided in~~
160 ~~subsection (6). The corporation shall be known as The Miami~~
161 ~~Children's Initiative, Inc., and shall be administratively~~
162 ~~housed within the Department of Children and Families. However,~~
163 ~~Miami Children's Initiative, Inc., is not subject to control,~~
164 ~~supervision, or direction by the Department of Children and~~

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165 ~~Families in any manner. The Legislature determines, however,~~
166 ~~that~~ Public policy dictates that the Miami Children's Initiative
167 operates ~~corporation operate~~ in the most open and accessible
168 manner consistent with its public purpose. Therefore, the
169 Legislature specifically declares that the Miami Children's
170 Initiative ~~the corporation~~ is subject to chapter 119, relating
171 to public records, chapter 286, relating to public meetings and
172 records, and chapter 287, relating to the procurement of
173 commodities or contractual services.

174 (b) This initiative is designed to encompass an area that
175 is large enough to include all of the necessary components of
176 community life, including, but not limited to, schools, places
177 of worship, recreational facilities, commercial areas, and
178 common space, yet small enough to allow programs and services to
179 reach every willing member of the neighborhood.

180 (10) ~~CREATION OF THE NEW TOWN SUCCESS ZONE.~~-

181 (a) There is created within the City of Jacksonville
182 Council District 9 in Duval County a ~~10-year~~ project called the
183 New Town Success Zone ~~that shall be~~ managed by an entity
184 organized as a not-for-profit corporation ~~not for profit that is~~
185 registered, incorporated, organized, and operated in compliance
186 with chapter 617 and this section. ~~The New Town Success Zone is~~
187 ~~not subject to control, supervision, or direction by any~~
188 ~~department of the state in any manner. The Legislature~~
189 ~~determines, however, that~~ Public policy dictates that the New

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190 Town Success Zone operates ~~corporation operate~~ in the most open
191 and accessible manner consistent with its public purpose.
192 Therefore, the Legislature declares that the New Town Success
193 Zone ~~corporation~~ is subject to chapter 119, relating to public
194 records, chapter 286, relating to public meetings and records,
195 and chapter 287, relating to the procurement of commodities or
196 contractual services.

197 (b) This initiative is designed to encompass an area that
198 is large enough to include all of the necessary components of
199 community life, including, but not limited to, schools, places
200 of worship, recreational facilities, commercial areas, and
201 common space, yet small enough to allow programs and services to
202 reach every member of the neighborhood who is willing to
203 participate in the project.

204 (11) ~~CREATION OF THE~~ ORLANDO PARRAMORE KIDZ ZONES ~~ZONE~~.—

205 (a) There is created within the City of Orlando in Orange
206 County a ~~10-year~~ project called the Orlando Kidz Zones managed
207 by an entity organized as a not-for-profit corporation ~~not for~~
208 ~~profit that is~~ registered, incorporated, organized, and operated
209 in compliance with chapter 617 and this section. ~~The Parramore~~
210 ~~Kidz Zone program is not subject to the control, supervision, or~~
211 ~~direction of any department of the state. The Legislature~~
212 ~~determines, however, that~~ Public policy dictates that the
213 Orlando Kidz Zones operates ~~corporation operate~~ in the most open
214 and accessible manner consistent with its public purpose.

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215 Therefore, the Legislature ~~specifically~~ declares that the
216 Orlando Kidz Zones are ~~corporation is~~ subject to chapter 119,
217 relating to public records, chapter 286, relating to public
218 meetings and records, and chapter 287, relating to the
219 procurement of commodities or contractual services.

220 (b) This initiative is designed to encompass the Orlando
221 neighborhoods of Parramore, Mercy Drive, and Englewood. All
222 three of these neighborhoods are ~~an area that is~~ large enough to
223 include all of the necessary components of community life,
224 including, but not limited to, schools, places of worship,
225 recreational facilities, commercial areas, and common space, yet
226 small enough to allow programs and services to reach every
227 member of the neighborhood who is willing to participate in the
228 project.

229 (12) ~~CREATION OF THE TAMPA SULPHUR SPRINGS NEIGHBORHOOD OF~~
230 ~~PROMISE (SSNOP) SUCCESS ZONE.-~~

231 (a) There is created within the City of Tampa in
232 Hillsborough County a ~~10-year~~ project called the Tampa Sulphur
233 Springs Neighborhood of Promise (SSNOP) ~~that shall be~~ managed by
234 an entity organized as a not-for-profit corporation ~~not for~~
235 ~~profit that is~~ registered, incorporated, organized, and operated
236 in compliance with chapter 617 and this section. ~~The Tampa SSNOP~~
237 ~~Success Zone is not subject to control, supervision, or~~
238 ~~direction by any department of the state in any manner. The~~
239 ~~Legislature determines, however, that~~ Public policy dictates

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240 that the Tampa SSNOP operates ~~corporation operate~~ in the most
241 open and accessible manner consistent with its public purpose.
242 Therefore, the Legislature declares that the Tampa SSNOP
243 ~~corporation~~ is subject to chapter 119, relating to public
244 records, chapter 286, relating to public meetings and records,
245 and chapter 287, relating to the procurement of commodities or
246 contractual services.

247 (b) This initiative is designed to encompass an area that
248 is large enough to include all of the necessary components of
249 community life, including, but not limited to, schools, places
250 of worship, recreational facilities, commercial areas, and
251 common space, yet small enough to allow programs and services to
252 reach every member of the neighborhood who is willing to
253 participate in the project.

254 (13) CREATION OF THE OVERTOWN CHILDREN AND YOUTH
255 COALITION.—

256 (a) There is created within the City of Miami in Miami-
257 Dade County a ~~10-year~~ project called the Overtown Children and
258 Youth Coalition ~~that shall be~~ managed by an entity organized as
259 a not-for-profit corporation ~~not for profit that is~~ registered,
260 incorporated, organized, and operated in compliance with chapter
261 617 and this section. ~~The Overtown Children and Youth Coalition~~
262 ~~is not subject to control, supervision, or direction by any~~
263 ~~department of the state in any manner. The Legislature~~
264 ~~determines, however, that~~ Public policy dictates that the

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265 Overtown Children and Youth Coalition operates ~~corporation~~
266 ~~operate~~ in the most open and accessible manner consistent with
267 its public purpose. Therefore, the Legislature declares that the
268 Overtown Children and Youth Coalition ~~corporation~~ is subject to
269 chapter 119, relating to public records, chapter 286, relating
270 to public meetings and records, and chapter 287, relating to the
271 procurement of commodities or contractual services.

272 (b) This initiative is designed to encompass an area that
273 is large enough to include all of the necessary components of
274 community life, including, but not limited to, schools, places
275 of worship, recreational facilities, commercial areas, and
276 common space, yet small enough to allow programs and services to
277 reach every member of the neighborhood who is willing to
278 participate in the project.

279 (14) IMPLEMENTATION.—

280 (a) The Miami Children's Initiative, Inc., the New Town
281 Success Zone, the Orlando Parramore Kidz Zones Zone, the Tampa
282 SSNOP ~~Success Zone~~, and the Overtown Children and Youth
283 Coalition have been designated as Florida Children's Initiatives
284 consistent with the legislative intent and purpose of s. 16,
285 chapter 2009-43, Laws of Florida, and as such shall each assist
286 the disadvantaged areas of this ~~the~~ state in creating a
287 community-based service network and programming that develops,
288 coordinates, and provides quality education, accessible health
289 care, youth development programs, opportunities for employment,

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290 and safe and affordable housing for children and families living
291 within their boundaries.

292 (b) In order to implement this section for the Florida
293 Children's Initiatives listed in this section ~~Miami Children's~~
294 ~~Initiative, Inc.~~, the Department of Children and Families shall
295 contract with a not-for-profit corporation, to work in
296 collaboration with the governing body to adopt the resolution
297 described in subsection (4), to establish the planning team as
298 provided in subsection (5), and to develop and adopt the
299 strategic community plan as provided in subsection (6). The not-
300 for-profit corporation is also responsible for the development
301 of a strategic ~~business~~ plan and for the evaluation, fiscal
302 management, and oversight of the Florida Children's Initiatives
303 ~~Miami Children's Initiative, Inc.~~

304 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2023.

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308 **T I T L E A M E N D M E N T**

309 Remove lines 3-12 and insert:

310 amending s. 409.147, F.S.; revising legislative findings;
311 revising the definition of the term "resident"; revising the
312 objectives for certain working groups; providing that the
313 Florida Children's Initiatives are administratively housed in
314 the Department of Children and Families but are not subject to

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315 | certain control, supervision, or direction by the department;
316 | clarifying provisions relating to a corporation established for
317 | a specified purpose; revising legislative intent; clarifying
318 | provisions relating to the creation, implementation, and
319 | operation of Florida Children's Initiatives; providing an
320 | effective date.