By Senator DiCeglie

18-00596-24 2024848___ A bill to be entitled

An act relating to AMIkids, Inc.; creating s. 985.176, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Juvenile Justice, the Department of Education, and the Department of Children and Families to contract with AMIkids, Inc., for specified services; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Section 985.176, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

985.176 AMIkids, Inc.—As authorized by and consistent with funding appropriated in the General Appropriations Act, the department, the Department of Education, and the Department of Children and Families may contract, in accordance with ss.

394.457 and 985.644 and the statutes governing the Department of Education and the Department of Children and Families, with AMIkids, Inc., a nonprofit organization exempt from taxation pursuant to s. 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, to provide alternatives to institutionalization or commitment for young men and women by providing services, including, but not limited to, education, behavior modification, skills development, mental health, workforce development, family functioning, and advocacy.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2024.