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By the Committee on Higher Education; and Senator Gaetz

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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to cancer research and control; amending s. 20.435, F.S.; changing the carryforward period of certain funds of the Biomedical Research Trust Fund; amending s. 215.5602, F.S.; modifying the terms and membership and establishing a staggered membership for appointed members of the Biomedical Research Advisory Council; authorizing the council to recommend a portion of the allocation for the James and Esther King Biomedical Research Program for specified purposes and to develop a grant application and review mechanism; prohibiting any member of the council from participating in council or peer-review panel discussions or decisions regarding certain proposals; authorizing the Department of Health to accept and use gifts for awards under the program; amending s. 381.922, F.S.; revising the purpose of the William G. "Bill" Bankhead, Jr., and David Coley Cancer Research Program; revising the types of applications considered for funding; authorizing the Biomedical Research Advisory Council to recommend a portion of the allocation for the program for specified purposes and to develop a grant application and review mechanism; prohibiting any member of the council from participating in council or panel discussions or decisions regarding certain proposals; requiring the department to submit to the Governor and Legislature a report by a specified date; authorizing the Department of Health to accept and use gifts for

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awards under the program; creating s. 381.923, F.S.; creating the Florida Comprehensive Cancer Control Act; providing legislative intent; providing definitions; creating the Florida Cancer Control and Resource Advisory Council; providing membership of the council; providing the composition of the executive committee of the council; providing for terms of the council and meetings; providing for reimbursement for per diem and travel expenses; prohibiting a member of the council from participating in any discussion or decision to recommend any type of award or contract to any qualified nonprofit association or to any agency of this state or a political subdivision of the state with which the member is associated as an employee or as a member of the governing body or with which the member has entered into a contractual arrangement; providing the duties and responsibilities of the council; requiring the council to report findings and recommendations to the Governor, the Legislature, and the State Surgeon General; requiring the council to develop or purchase written summaries regarding medically viable treatment alternatives for the management of breast cancer and prostate cancer; providing requirements for the written summaries; requiring the council to develop and implement education programs regarding early detection and treatment of breast cancer and prostate cancer; requiring that the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute, Inc., provide an executive

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director for the council; authorizing the Department of Health to adopt rules to administer s. 381.923, F.S.; requiring the department to produce the Florida Cancer Plan in consultation with the council; creating the Cancer Control Collaborative Program within the Department of Health; providing the responsibility and mission of the program; requiring the department to appoint a director; providing duties for each regional cancer control collaborative; requiring the collaborative program to submit to the council an annual report by a specified date; requiring the program to serve as the infrastructure for expansion or adaption as federal programs or other opportunities arise for future cancer control initiatives; amending ss. 458.324 and 459.0125, F.S.; conforming crossreferences; repealing s. 1004.435, F.S., relating to cancer control and research; providing an effective date.

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

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Section 1. Paragraph (c) of subsection (8) of section 20.435, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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20.435 Department of Health; trust funds.—The following trust funds shall be administered by the Department of Health:

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(8) Biomedical Research Trust Fund.

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(c) Notwithstanding s. 216.301 and pursuant to s. 216.351, any balance of any appropriation from the Biomedical Research Trust Fund which is not disbursed but which is obligated

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pursuant to contract or committed to be expended may be carried forward for up to  $\underline{5}$  3 years  $\underline{after}$  following the effective date of the original appropriation.

Section 2. Subsections (2), (3), (5), and (7) of section 215.5602, Florida Statutes, are amended, and subsection (13) is added to that section, to read:

215.5602 James and Esther King Biomedical Research  ${\tt Program.-}$ 

- (2) Funds appropriated for the James and Esther King Biomedical Research Program shall be used exclusively for the award of grants and fellowships as established in this section; for research relating to the prevention, diagnosis, treatment, and cure of diseases related to tobacco use, including cancer, cardiovascular disease, stroke, and pulmonary disease; and for expenses incurred in the administration of this section; and as provided in subsection (5). Priority shall be granted to research designed to prevent or cure disease.
- (3) There is created within the Department of Health the Biomedical Research Advisory Council.
- (a) The council shall consist of 12 11 members, including: the chief executive officer of the Florida Division of the American Cancer Society, or a designee; the chief executive officer of the Greater Southeast Florida/Puerto Rico Affiliate of the American Heart Association, or a designee; and the chief executive officer of the American Lung Association of Florida, or a designee; and the chief executive officer of BioFlorida, or a designee. The remaining 8 members of the council shall be appointed as follows:
  - 1. The Governor shall appoint four members, two members

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with expertise in the field of biomedical research, one member from a research university in the state, and one member representing the general population of the state.

- 2. The President of the Senate shall appoint two members, one member with expertise in the field of behavioral or social research and one representative from a cancer program approved by the American College of Surgeons.
- 3. The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint two members, one member from a professional medical organization and one representative from a cancer program approved by the American College of Surgeons.

In making these appointments, the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall select primarily, but not exclusively, Floridians with biomedical and lay expertise in the general areas of cancer, cardiovascular disease, stroke, and pulmonary disease. The appointments shall be for 4-year staggered terms a 3-year term and shall reflect the diversity of the state's population. An appointed member may not serve more than two consecutive terms. The first two appointments by the Governor and the first appointment by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives on or after July 1, 2011, shall be for a term of 2 years each.

- (b) The council shall adopt internal organizational procedures as necessary for its efficient organization.
- (c) The department shall provide such staff, information, and other assistance as is reasonably necessary to assist the council in carrying out its responsibilities.

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(d) Members of the council shall serve without compensation, but may receive reimbursement as provided in s. 112.061 for travel and other necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their official duties.

- (5) (a) Applications for biomedical research funding under the program may be submitted from any university or established research institute in the state. All qualified investigators in the state, regardless of institution affiliation, shall have equal access and opportunity to compete for the research funding.
- (b) Grants and fellowships shall be awarded by the State Surgeon General, after consultation with the council, on the basis of scientific merit, as determined by an open competitive peer review process that ensures objectivity, consistency, and high quality. The following types of applications shall be considered for funding:
  - 1. Investigator-initiated research grants.
  - 2. Institutional research and training grants.
  - 3. Predoctoral and postdoctoral research fellowships.
- (c) For any given year, the council may also recommend up to one-third of the allocation for the program for the recruitment of cancer, heart, or lung disease researchers and research teams to institutions in the state; for operational start-up grants for newly recruited cancer, heart, or lung disease research teams; and for equipment expenditures related to the expansion of cancer, heart, or lung disease research and treatment capacity in the state. For the purposes of implementing this paragraph, the council may develop a grant application and review mechanism other than the process for

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reviewing research proposals prescribed in subsection (6);

however, such mechanism must ensure a fair and rigorous analysis
of the merit of any proposals considered under this paragraph.

- (7) The council and the peer review panel shall establish and follow rigorous guidelines for ethical conduct and adhere to a strict policy with regard to conflict of interest. A member of the council or panel may not participate in any council or panel discussion or decision with respect to a research proposal, or any proposal related to those projects contemplated in paragraph (5)(c), by any firm, entity, or agency with which the member is associated as a member of the governing body or as an employee, or with which the member has entered into a contractual arrangement. Meetings of the council and the peer review panels shall be subject to the provisions of chapter 119, s. 286.011, and s. 24, Art. I of the State Constitution.
- unconditionally by will or otherwise, deposit them into the Biomedical Research Trust Fund, and use them for grant or fellowship awards in the program. Any gift made under conditions that, in the judgment of the department, upon consultation with the council, are proper and consistent with this section, the laws of the United States, and state law, may be accepted and shall be held, invested, reinvested, and used in accordance with the conditions of the gift.

Section 3. Section 381.922, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- 381.922 William G. "Bill" Bankhead, Jr., and David Coley Cancer Research Program.—
  - (1) The William G. "Bill" Bankhead, Jr., and David Coley

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Cancer Research Program, which may be otherwise cited as the "Bankhead-Coley Program," is created within the Department of Health. The purpose of the program shall be to advance progress towards cures for cancer <u>using through</u> grants awarded through a peer-reviewed, competitive process <u>and to expand cancer research</u> and treatment capacity in this state.

- (2) The program shall provide grants for cancer research, including cancer clinical trials projects as provided in this section, to further the search for cures for cancer; for recruiting cancer researchers and research teams to institutions in the state; for operational start-up grants for newly recruited cancer researchers and research teams; or for equipment expenditures related to the expansion of cancer research and treatment capacity in the state.
- (a) Emphasis shall be given to the following goals, as those goals support the advancement of such cures:
- 1. Efforts to significantly expand cancer research capacity in the state by:
- a. Identifying ways to attract new research talent and attendant national grant-producing researchers to cancer research facilities in this state;
- b. Implementing a peer-reviewed, competitive process to identify and fund the best proposals to expand cancer research institutes in this state;
- c. Funding through available resources for those proposals that demonstrate the greatest opportunity to attract federal research grants and private financial support;
- d. Encouraging the employment of bioinformatics in order to create a cancer informatics infrastructure that enhances

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information and resource exchange and integration through researchers working in diverse disciplines, to facilitate the full spectrum of cancer investigations;

- e. Facilitating the technical coordination, business development, and support of intellectual property as it relates to the advancement of cancer research; and
- f. Aiding in other multidisciplinary research-support activities as they inure to the advancement of cancer research.
- 2. Efforts to improve both research and treatment through greater participation in clinical trials networks by:
- a. Identifying ways to increase adult enrollment in cancer clinical trials;
- b. Supporting public and private professional education programs designed to increase the awareness and knowledge about cancer clinical trials;
- c. Providing tools to cancer patients and community-based oncologists to aid in the identification of cancer clinical trials available in the state; and
- d. Creating opportunities for the state's academic cancer centers to collaborate with community-based oncologists in cancer clinical trials networks.
- 3. Efforts to reduce the impact of cancer on disparate groups by:
- a. Identifying those cancers that disproportionately impact certain demographic groups; and
- b. Building collaborations designed to reduce health disparities as they relate to cancer.
- (b) Preference may be given to grant proposals that foster collaborations among institutions, researchers, and community

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practitioners, as such proposals support the advancement of cures through basic or applied research, including clinical trials involving cancer patients and related networks <u>and the transfer of knowledge gained from research into the practice of community practitioners.</u>

- (3) (a) Applications for funding for cancer research may be submitted by any university or established research institute in the state. All qualified investigators in the state, regardless of institutional affiliation, shall have equal access and opportunity to compete for the research funding. Collaborative proposals, including those that advance the program's goals enumerated in subsection (2), may be given preference. Grants shall be awarded by the State Surgeon General, after consultation with the Biomedical Research Advisory Council established under s. 215.5602, on the basis of scientific merit, as determined by an open, competitive peer review process that ensures objectivity, consistency, and high quality. The following types of applications shall be considered for funding:
  - 1. Investigator-initiated research grants.
  - 2. Institutional research and training grants.
  - 3. Predoctoral and postdoctoral research fellowships.
- $\underline{4.3.}$  Collaborative research grants, including those that advance the finding of cures through basic or applied research.
- 5. Clinical trial project grants, particularly those projects such as matching services that identify prospective clinical trials treatment options for cancer patients in this state or those projects that otherwise foster greater rates of participation in trials. At least one such grant shall be awarded in any given year if a meritorious proposal or proposals

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are received. Such project grant proposals are not required to be posed as a research question in order to qualify for an award.

- (b) For any given year, the council may recommend up to one-third of the allocation for grants by the program for the recruitment of cancer researchers and research teams to institutions in the state, for operational start-up grants for newly recruited cancer researchers and research teams, or for equipment expenditures related to the expansion of cancer research and treatment capacity in the state. For the purposes of implementing this paragraph, the council may develop a grant application and review mechanism other than the process for reviewing research proposals prescribed in paragraph (c); however, such mechanism shall ensure a fair and rigorous analysis of the merit of any proposals considered under this paragraph.
- (c) (b) In order to ensure that all proposals for research funding are appropriate and are evaluated fairly on the basis of scientific merit, the State Surgeon General, in consultation with the council, shall appoint a peer review panel of independent, scientifically qualified individuals to review the scientific content of each proposal and establish its priority score. The priority scores shall be forwarded to the council and must be considered in determining which proposals shall be recommended for funding.
- (d) (e) The council and the peer review panel shall establish and follow rigorous guidelines for ethical conduct and adhere to a strict policy with regard to conflicts of interest. A member of the council or panel may not participate in any

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council or panel discussion or decision with respect to a research proposal, or any proposal related to those projects contemplated in paragraph (b), by any firm, entity, or agency with which the member is associated as a member of the governing body or as an employee or with which the member has entered into a contractual arrangement. Meetings of the council and the peer review panels are subject to chapter 119, s. 286.011, and s. 24, Art. I of the State Constitution.

- (4) By <u>February 1 December 15</u> of each year, the <u>council</u> Department of Health shall submit to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives a report indicating progress towards the program's mission and making recommendations that further its purpose.
- (5) The William G. "Bill" Bankhead, Jr., and David Coley Cancer Research program is funded pursuant to s. 215.5602(12). Funds appropriated for the William G. "Bill" Bankhead, Jr., and David Coley Cancer Research program shall be distributed pursuant to this section to provide grants to researchers seeking cures for cancer and cancer-related illnesses, with emphasis given to the goals enumerated in this section. From the total funds appropriated, an amount of up to 10 percent may be used for administrative expenses. From funds appropriated to accomplish the goals of this section, up to \$250,000 shall be available for the operating costs of the Florida Center for Universal Research to Eradicate Disease.
- (6) The Department of Health may accept gifts made unconditionally by will or otherwise, deposit them into the Biomedical Research Trust Fund, and use them for grant or fellowship awards in the program. Any gift made under conditions

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that, in the judgment of the department, upon consultation with
the council, are proper and consistent with this section, the
laws of the United States, and state law, may be accepted and
shall be held, invested, reinvested, and used in accordance with
the conditions of the gift.

Section 4. Section 381.923, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

- 381.923 Comprehensive Cancer Control.
- (1) SHORT TITLE.—This section may be cited as the "Florida Comprehensive Cancer Control Act."
- (2) LEGISLATIVE INTENT.—It is the finding of the Legislature that:
- (a) Advances in scientific knowledge have led to prevention, early detection, and therapeutic capabilities in the control of cancer. Such knowledge, screening technologies, and therapies must be made available to all residents of this state.
- (b) Research shows that certain lifestyles and exposures, such as tobacco use, exposure to ultraviolet radiation from the sun, and exposure to occupational and environmental carcinogens, contribute to the risk for many types of cancer and that certain screening tests are effective in diagnosing cancer early when it is more treatable. The role of diet, exercise, and other healthy lifestyles are also important in cancer prevention and control. Proven causes of cancer and methods for early detection should be publicized and be the subject of linguistically and culturally appropriate educational and awareness programs for the prevention of cancer.
- (c) An effective cancer control program would mobilize the scientific, educational, and medical resources that presently

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exist into an intense attack against this dreaded disease, with
the primary goal to reduce the cancer burden for the residents
of this state.

- (3) DEFINITIONS.—As used in this section, the term:
- (a) "Cancer" means all malignant neoplasms, regardless of the tissue of origin, including lymphoma and leukemia.
- (b) "Council" means the Florida Cancer Control and Resource Advisory Council.
  - (c) "Department" means the Department of Health.
  - (d) "Plan" means the Florida Cancer Plan.
- (e) "Program" means the Florida Cancer Control Collaborative Program.
- (f) "Qualified nonprofit association" means any association, incorporated or unincorporated, which has received tax-exempt status from the Internal Revenue Service.
- (4) FLORIDA CANCER CONTROL AND RESOURCE ADVISORY COUNCIL; CREATION; COMPOSITION.—
- (a) There is created within the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer
  Center and Research Institute, Inc., the Florida Cancer Control
  and Resource Advisory Council, which is an advisory body
  appointed to function on a continuing basis to recommend
  solutions and policy alternatives to the Governor, members of
  the Legislature, the State Surgeon General, and other
  policymakers. The council shall consist of cancer organizational
  representation and cancer control stakeholders, with a
  chairperson elected by the council membership for a term of 2
  years. Each council member must be a resident of this state. The
  Governor shall appoint three members representing the general
  public, with the initial appointments being for terms of 1 year,

589-03791-11 2011720c1 407 2 years, and 3 years, respectively, beginning July 1, 2012. 408 Thereafter, gubernatorial appointments to the council shall be 409 for terms of 3 years. The President of the Senate and the 410 Speaker of the House of Representatives shall each appoint one 411 member from his or her legislative body to serve on the council 412 at any given time. Each of the following organizations shall 413 designate a representative to serve on the council: 1. H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute, 414 415 Inc. 416 2. University of Florida Shands Cancer Center. 417 3. University of Miami Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer 418 Center. 4. Mayo Clinic, Florida. 419 420 5. M.D. Anderson Cancer Center, Florida. 421 6. American Cancer Society, Florida Division. 422 7. American Lung Association of the Southeast. 423 8. American Association for Retired Persons. 424 9. Department of Health. 425 10. Department of Education. 426 11. Florida Tumor Registrars Association. 427 12. Florida Cancer Data System. 428 13. Florida Society of Oncology Social Workers. 429 14. Florida Oncology Nurses Society. 15. Florida Society of Clinical Oncology. 430 431 16. Florida Association of Pediatric Tumor Programs, Inc. 432 17. Florida Medical Association. 433 18. Florida Hospital Association. 434 19. Florida Nursing Association. 435 20. Florida Dental Association.

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589-03791-11 2011720c1 436 21. Florida Osteopathic Association. 22. University of Florida College of Medicine. 23. Florida Academy of Family Physicians. 438 439 24. University of Miami College of Medicine. 25. University of South Florida College of Medicine. 26. Florida State University College of Medicine. 442 27. University of Central Florida College of Medicine. 28. Nova Southeastern College of Osteopathic Medicine. 443 29. Florida International University College of Medicine. 30. Lake Erie School of Osteopathic Medicine. 446 31. Biomedical Research Advisory Council. 32. Center for Universal Research to Eradicate Disease. 448 33. A representative from each of the regional cancer 449 control collaboratives. (b) An executive committee, which shall be responsible for 451 coordinating the activities and planning the direction of the 452 full council, shall be comprised of the council's elected 453 chairperson, one at-large member elected by the full council, 454 and the members representing the Department of Health, the American Cancer Society, the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and 455 456 Research Institute, Inc., the University of Florida Shands 457 Cancer Center, and the University of Miami Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center, as well as the appointee of the 458 459 President of the Senate, the appointee of the Speaker of the 460 House of Representatives, and one of the gubernatorial 461 appointees, who shall be designated by the council's

chairperson. If the council chairperson is a designee of one of

the entities named in this paragraph, the full council shall

elect a second at-large position to serve on the executive

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committee. The elected positions on the executive committee shall be for terms of 2 years.

- (c) The council shall meet at least semiannually. A majority of members shall constitute a quorum for the purpose of exercising all of the powers of the council.
- (d) The council members shall serve without compensation, but are entitled to reimbursement for per diem and travel expenses as provided in s. 112.061.
- (e) A member of the council may not participate in any council discussion or decision to recommend any type of award or contract to any qualified nonprofit association or to any agency of this state or a political subdivision of the state with which the member is associated as an employee or as a member of the governing body or with which the member has entered into a contractual arrangement.
- (f) The council may prescribe, amend, and repeal bylaws governing the manner in which the business of the council is conducted.
- (g) The council shall advise the Governor, the Legislature, the State Surgeon General, and other state policymakers with respect to cancer control and resources in this state.
- (h) The council shall approve a plan for cancer control, to be known as the "Florida Cancer Control Plan," which shall be consistent to the extent possible with other cancer or health-related state plans and integrated and coordinated with existing programs in this state. The council shall review and approve the plan at least every 2 years.
- (i) The council shall formulate and recommend to the Governor, the Legislature, the State Surgeon General, and other

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state policymakers a plan for the prevention and early detection of cancer which is evidence-based and consistent with standards of practice and supported by evidence-based medicine. The State Surgeon General and other state policymakers shall consider the plan in developing departmental priorities and funding priorities and standards under chapter 385.

- (j) The council shall provide expertise, input, and recommendations regarding the content and development of the Florida Cancer Plan and the coordination and integration of other state plans concerning cancer control.
- (k) The council may establish committees to develop strategies for taking action regarding:
- $\frac{\hbox{1. Cancer plan evaluation, including the creation of a}}{\hbox{tumor registry, data retrieval systems, and the epidemiology of cancer in the state.}}$ 
  - 2. Cancer prevention.
  - 3. Cancer detection.
  - 4. Cancer treatments.
  - 5. Support services for cancer patients and caregivers.
  - 6. Cancer education for laypersons and professionals.
  - 7. Other cancer-control-related topics.
- (1) The council shall advise the State Surgeon General on methods of enforcing and implementing laws already enacted that relate to cancer control.
- (m) The council may recommend to the State Surgeon General rules consistent with law as it may deem necessary for the performance of its duties and the proper administration of this section.
  - (n) The council shall be physically located at the H. Lee

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(o) By December 1 of each year, the council shall report its findings and recommendations to the Governor, the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the State Surgeon General.

- (p) Subject to specific appropriations by the Legislature, the council shall develop or purchase standardized written summaries, written in language easily understood by the average adult, to inform persons who have or who are at high risk of being diagnosed with breast cancer or who have prostate cancer or are considering prostate cancer screening of the medically viable treatment alternatives available to effectively manage breast cancer or prostate cancer; describe treatment options; and explain the advantages, disadvantages, and risks associated with each treatment option. The summaries shall be printed in the form of a pamphlet or booklet and made continuously available to physicians and surgeons in the state for their use in accordance with s. 458.324 and to osteopathic physicians in this state for their use in accordance with s. 459.0125. The council shall periodically update both summaries to reflect current standards of medical practice in the treatment of breast cancer and prostate cancer.
- (q) Subject to specific appropriations by the Legislature, the council shall develop and implement educational programs, including distribution of the summaries developed or purchased under paragraph (p), to inform citizen groups, associations, and voluntary organizations about early detection and treatment of breast cancer and prostate cancer.
  - (5) RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE H. LEE MOFFITT CANCER CENTER

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552 AND RESEARCH INSTITUTE, INC., AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH.-

- (a) The H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research
  Institute, Inc., shall provide a full-time executive director to
  coordinate, facilitate, and communicate the mission and
  responsibilities of the council. Additional administrative
  support, information, and other assistance shall also be
  provided as reasonably necessary for the completion of the
  responsibilities of the council.
- (b) The Department of Health, after consultation with the council, may adopt rules necessary to administer this section.
- (c) The Florida Cancer Plan is established within the Department of Health. The department shall consult with the council in developing the plan, prioritizing goals, and allocating resources.
- (6) FLORIDA CANCER CONTROL COLLABORATIVE PROGRAM; CREATION; COMPOSITION.—
- (a) The Cancer Control Collaborative Program is established within the Department of Health and resides within the Comprehensive Cancer Control Program. The program is responsible for overseeing and providing infrastructure for the state cancer collaborative network. The primary mission of the program is to implement the plan's initiatives and identify and facilitate the local development of solutions to cancer control needs of the populations served by the regional cancer control collaboratives. The program shall prioritize programs and resources to reduce the burden of cancer in this state, consistent with the plan.
- (b) The department shall appoint a director, who is responsible for supervising the program, and provide, at a

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minimum, centralized organization, communications, information technology, shared resources, and cancer control expertise to the regional cancer control collaboratives.

- (c) Each regional cancer control collaborative shall bring together local cancer stakeholders, develop bylaws, identify and prioritize cancer control needs of its region, and develop solutions to solve problems, consistent with the plan and the goal of reducing the burden of cancer in this state. Each collaborative shall meet at least semiannually and send representation to the council meetings.
- (d) By October 15 of each year, the program shall submit an annual report to the council. The council shall have input into the prioritization of programs and proposed allocation of resources in the program consistent with the plan.
- (e) The program shall serve as the infrastructure for expansion or adaptation as federal programs or other opportunities arise for future cancer control initiatives. The development of the infrastructure for local cancer control collaboratives, to the extent possible, shall be designed to leverage opportunities for funding from the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention or other federal sources.
- Section 5. Subsection (1) and paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section 458.324, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
  458.324 Breast cancer; information on treatment alternatives.—
- (1) DEFINITION.—As used in this section, the term "medically viable," as applied to treatment alternatives, means modes of treatment generally considered by the medical

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profession to be within the scope of current, acceptable standards, including treatment alternatives described in the written summary prepared by the Florida Cancer Control and Resource Research Advisory Council in accordance with s. 381.923(4)(o) 1004.435(4)(m).

- (2) COMMUNICATION OF TREATMENT ALTERNATIVES.—Each physician treating a patient who is, or in the judgment of the physician is at high risk of being, diagnosed as having breast cancer shall inform such patient of the medically viable treatment alternatives available to such patient; shall describe such treatment alternatives; and shall explain the relative advantages, disadvantages, and risks associated with the treatment alternatives to the extent deemed necessary to allow the patient to make a prudent decision regarding such treatment options. In compliance with this subsection:
  - (a) The physician may, in his or her discretion:
- 1. Orally communicate such information directly to the patient or the patient's legal representative;
- 2. Provide the patient or the patient's legal representative with a copy of the written summary prepared in accordance with s.  $\underline{381.923(4)(0)}$   $\underline{1004.435(4)(m)}$  and express a willingness to discuss the summary with the patient or the patient's legal representative; or
- 3. Both communicate such information directly and provide a copy of the written summary to the patient or the patient's legal representative for further consideration and possible later discussion.

Nothing in this subsection shall reduce other provisions of law

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alternatives.-

Section 6. Subsection (1) and paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section 459.0125, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 459.0125 Breast cancer; information on treatment

- (1) DEFINITION.—As used in this section, the term "medically viable," as applied to treatment alternatives, means modes of treatment generally considered by the medical profession to be within the scope of current, acceptable standards, including treatment alternatives described in the written summary prepared by the Florida Cancer Control and Resource Research Advisory Council in accordance with s. 381.923(4)(o) 1004.435(4)(m).
- (2) COMMUNICATION OF TREATMENT ALTERNATIVES.—It is the obligation of every physician treating a patient who is, or in the judgment of the physician is at high risk of being, diagnosed as having breast cancer to inform such patient of the medically viable treatment alternatives available to such patient; to describe such treatment alternatives; and to explain the relative advantages, disadvantages, and risks associated with the treatment alternatives to the extent deemed necessary to allow the patient to make a prudent decision regarding such treatment options. In compliance with this subsection:
  - (a) The physician may, in her or his discretion:
- 1. Orally communicate such information directly to the patient or the patient's legal representative;
- 2. Provide the patient or the patient's legal representative with a copy of the written summary prepared in accordance with s. 381.923(4)(0)  $\frac{1004.435(4)(m)}{1004.435(4)}$  and express her

or his willingness to discuss the summary with the patient or the patient's legal representative; or

3. Both communicate such information directly and provide a copy of the written summary to the patient or the patient's legal representative for further consideration and possible later discussion.

Nothing in this subsection shall reduce other provisions of law regarding informed consent.

Section 7. Section 1004.435, Florida Statutes, is repealed.

Section 8. This act shall take effect July 1, 2011.