



27 project shall be voluntary and free to participants.

28 (3) Under the pilot project, personal devices to aid  
29 search-and-rescue efforts that are attachable to clothing or  
30 otherwise worn shall be provided by the center to the sheriff's  
31 offices of the participating counties. The devices shall be  
32 distributed to project participants by the county sheriff's  
33 offices in conjunction with the center. The center shall fund  
34 any costs associated with monitoring the devices.

35 (4) The center shall submit a preliminary report by  
36 December 1, 2016, and a final report by December 15, 2017, to  
37 the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of  
38 the House of Representatives describing the implementation and  
39 operation of the pilot project. At a minimum, the report shall  
40 include the criteria used to select participants, the number of  
41 participants, the age of the participants, the nature of the  
42 participants' special needs, the number of participants who  
43 elope, the amount of time taken to rescue such participants  
44 following elopement, and the outcome of any rescue attempts. The  
45 final report shall also provide recommendations for modification  
46 or continued implementation of the project.

47 (5) The project shall operate to the extent of available  
48 funding within the center's existing resources.

49 (6) This section expires June 30, 2018.

50 Section 2. For the 2016-2017 fiscal year, the sum of  
51 \$100,000 in nonrecurring general revenue funds is appropriated  
52 to the Center for Autism and Related Disabilities at the

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53 University of Florida for the purchase of personal devices to  
54 aid search-and-rescue efforts for missing persons with special  
55 needs.

56 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016.