

The Florida Senate
HOUSE MESSAGE SUMMARY

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BILL: CS/SB 230
INTRODUCER: Appropriations Committee and Senator Dean
SUBJECT: Missing Persons with Special Needs
DATE: March 1, 2016

I. Amendments Contained in Message:

House Amendment – 930249 (body with title)

II. Summary of Amendments Contained in Message:

House Amendment 1 revises provisions of the bill creating pilot projects to provide personal devices to aid search-and-rescue efforts for persons with special needs in the case of elopement. It removes reference to the creation of a pilot project in Broward County and creates a pilot project in Hillsborough County. The Center for Autism and Related Disabilities at the University of South Florida (“CARD/USF”) will select program participants based on criteria it develops.

The amendment provides that specified appropriations for specified pilot projects are nonrecurring funds from the General Revenue Fund. The amendment also provides that, for FY 2016-17, \$100,000 in nonrecurring funds is appropriated from the General Revenue Fund to the CARD/USF. Finally, the amendment specifies that funds provided are to be used to provide personal devices to aid search-and-rescue efforts for persons with special needs in the case of elopement.