

The Florida Senate  
**HOUSE MESSAGE SUMMARY**

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BILL: CS/CS/SB 366

INTRODUCER: Appropriations Committee; Health Policy Committee; Senators Braynon, Pizzo, and Book

SUBJECT: Infectious Disease Elimination Programs

DATE: April 24, 2019

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**I. Amendments Contained in Message:**

**House Amendment 1** - 517403 to CS/CS/SB 366 (body with title)

**House Amendment 2** - 836647 to CS/CS/SB 366 (body with title)

**II. Summary of Amendments Contained in Message:**

**House Amendment 1** – removes the authority of the county-based programs to use any county funds for the local needle exchange programs. By removing this authority, the local needle exchange programs returned to the current status on funding sources leaving the programs to raise funds through federal grants and private sources.

**House Amendment 2** - removes a provision which would have allowed counties to waive the required one to one needle exchange requirement that is currently included in all contractual relationships with local providers due to exigent conditions or circumstances. This language was added to the Senate Bill in the Senate Health Policy Committee. Testimony was provided during that Committee meeting of the difficulties, in particular, of complying with the strict one-to-one needle exchange during natural disasters such as recent hurricanes.