THE FLORIDA SENATE 2024 SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION PASSED Committee on Health Policy

CS/HB 415 — Pregnancy and Parenting Resources Website

by Health Care Appropriations Subcommittee and Rep. Jacques and others (SB 436 by Senator Grall)

The bill requires the Department of Health (DOH), in consultation with the Department of Children and Families (DCF) and the Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA), to maintain a website, distinct from their own websites, to provide information and links for public and private resources for expectant families and new parents.

The DOH must contract for the creation of the website and it must be operational by January 1, 2025. The bill specifies the following categories of resources that must be available on the website but does not limit the website to these categories:

- Educational materials on pregnancy and parenting.
- Maternal health services.
- Prenatal and postnatal services.
- Educational and mentorship programs for fathers.
- Social services.
- Financial assistance.
- Adoption services.

Additionally, the bill requires the DOH, the DCF, and the AHCA to include clear and conspicuous links to the website on their websites.

The bill provides an appropriation of \$466,200 in nonrecurring funds for the 2024-2025 fiscal year from the Administrative Trust Fund to the DOH to implement the provisions of the bill.

If approved by the Governor, or allowed to become law without the Governor's signature, the bill takes effect July 1, 2024.

Vote: Senate 27-12; House 83-33

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