THE FLORIDA SENATE 2011 SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION PASSED Committee on Health Regulation

CS/HB 1463 — Crisis Stabilization Units

by Health and Human Services Committee and Reps. Hudson and Workman (SB 1052, 1st Engrossed by Senator Altman)

The bill amends s. 394.875, F.S., by directing the Department of Children and Families (DCF) to implement a demonstration project in Circuit 18, which includes Brevard and Seminole Counties. The DCF is directed to authorize the existing public and private crisis stabilization units in Circuit 18 to expand to up to 50 beds. The pilot project is to determine the impact this expansion would have on the availability of crisis stabilization services to clients.

If approved by the Governor, these provisions take effect July 1, 2011. *Vote: Senate 39-0; House 112-0*