THE FLORIDA SENATE 2017 SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION PASSED

Committee on Children, Families, And Elder Affairs

CS/HB 899 — Comprehensive Transitional Education Programs

by Children, Families and Seniors Subcommittee and Rep. Stevenson (CS/SB 714 by Appropriations Committee and Senator Garcia)

The bill authorizes the Agency for Persons with Disabilities to petition a court for the appointment of a receiver for a comprehensive transitional education program (CTEP) under certain circumstances that already apply to receivership for residential habilitation centers and group home facilities owned and operated by a corporation or partnership.

Pursuant to s. 393.18, F.S., a CTEP serves individuals who have developments disabilities, severe maladaptive behaviors, severe maladaptive behaviors and co-occurring complex medical conditions, or a dual diagnosis of developmental disabilities and mental illness. In Florida, there are only two CTEPs licensed by Agency for Persons with Disabilities.

If approved by the Governor, this bill takes effect upon becoming law.

Vote: Senate 36-0; House 118-0

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