HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STAFF ANALYSIS

BILL #: HB 1621 Adult Protectice Services

SPONSOR(S): Bendross-Mindingall

TIED BILLS: IDEN./SIM. BILLS: SB 1822

| REFERENCE | ACTION | ANALYST | STAFF DIRECTOR |
|-----------------------------------------|--------|--------------|----------------|
| 1) Elder Affairs & Long Term Care (SUB) | | <u>Meyer</u> | Liem |
| 2) Future of Florida's Families | | | |
| 3) Human Services Appropriations (SUB) | | | |
| 4) Appropriations | | | |
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SUMMARY ANALYSIS

The bill requires the Department of Children and Family Services to enter into working agreements related to the criminal investigation of adult abuse, neglect, and exploitation with local law enforcement agencies by September 1, 2003 and to evaluate the effectiveness of those agreements by September 1, 2004. The requirement for these agreements has been in the statutes since 2000. The requirements that they be in place by a specific date and that they be evaluated are new.

There is no fiscal impact. The bill takes effect July 1, 2003.

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FULL ANALYSIS

I. SUBSTANTIVE ANALYSIS

A. DOES THE BILL:

| 1. | Reduce government? | Yes[] | No[] | N/A[x] |
|----|-----------------------------------|-------|------|--------|
| 2. | Lower taxes? | Yes[] | No[] | N/A[x] |
| 3. | Expand individual freedom? | Yes[] | No[] | N/A[x] |
| 4. | Increase personal responsibility? | Yes[] | No[] | N/A[x] |
| 5. | Empower families? | Yes[] | No[] | N/A[x] |

For any principle that received a "no" above, please explain:

B. EFFECT OF PROPOSED CHANGES:

Requires the Department of Children and Family Services to enter into working agreements with local law enforcement agencies that specify how they will work together in cases of criminal investigation of adult abuse, neglect, or exploitation. The department is required to review the efficacy of those agreements by September 1, 2004.

The Legislature added the requirement for these working agreements during the 2000 session; to date, however, the department has not executed agreements in all areas of the state.

C. SECTION DIRECTORY:

Section 1 amends 415.1045(6) F.S. related to working agreements between the department and local law enforcement agencies.

Section 2 provides that the bill take effect on July 1, 2003.

II. FISCAL ANALYSIS & ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

A. FISCAL IMPACT ON STATE GOVERNMENT:

| 1. Revenues: |
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2. Expenditures:

None.

None.

B. FISCAL IMPACT ON LOCAL GOVERNMENTS:

1. Revenues:

None.

2. Expenditures:

None.

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C. DIRECT ECONOMIC IMPACT ON PRIVATE SECTOR: None.

D. FISCAL COMMENTS:

This is not a new requirement for law enforcement or the department; therefore, no new expenses are projected.

III. COMMENTS

- A. CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES:
 - 1. Applicability of Municipality/County Mandates Provision: Not applicable.
 - 2. Other:
- **B. RULE-MAKING AUTHORITY:**

None.

C. DRAFTING ISSUES OR OTHER COMMENTS:

IV. AMENDMENTS/COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE CHANGES

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