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By Senator Rich

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1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to reproductive health services
3	and family planning; creating the Prevention
4	First Act; requiring the Secretary of Health to
5	develop and maintain certain information
б	concerning family planning and resources on the
7	website of the Department of Health; requiring
8	that the website contain certain information
9	concerning family planning and health services;
10	requiring the Department of Education to
11	develop a comprehensive family life and
12	sexuality education plan; providing
13	definitions; providing duties of licensed
14	health care facilities and practitioners
15	relating to treatment of rape survivors;
16	providing an effective date.
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18	WHEREAS, the Legislature finds that many Florida women
19	and teens do not have access to birth control and information
20	about family planning, and
21	WHEREAS, the Legislature finds that the victimization
22	of women through rape is compounded by the possibility that
23	the rape survivors may suffer unintended pregnancies, and half
24	of such pregnancies end in abortion, and
25	WHEREAS, the Legislature further finds that providing
26	access to family planning information, services, and birth
27	control will prevent abortions and unintended pregnancies,
28	thereby significantly reducing the number of women and teens
29	who need medical assistance, Medicaid, KidCare, and other
30	social services, and
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1	WHEREAS, the Legislature recognizes that the most
2	recent study of women in need of family planning services by
3	the Florida State University Center for Prevention and Early
4	Intervention Policy found that only 26 percent of women in
5	this state who are in need of such services are currently
6	receiving them, and
7	WHEREAS, according to the Department of Health's Family
8	Planning Program, for every dollar spent in family planning
9	services, up to \$24 is saved as a result of averting
10	expenditures for public programs that support women who have
11	unintended pregnancies and their infants, NOW, THEREFORE,
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13	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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15	Section 1. This act may be cited as the "Prevention
16	<u>First Act."</u>
17	Section 2. The Secretary of Health shall develop and
18	maintain, as part of the Department of Health's website,
19	information on family planning and referrals to local
20	community resources to assist women and families in preventing
21	unintended pregnancies. The website must provide information
22	<u>on:</u>
23	(1) Family planning methods, including all methods of
24	contraception and natural family planning approved by the
25	federal Food and Drug Administration;
26	(2) Basic reproductive health procedures, including
27	breast and pelvic examinations; cervical cancer screenings;
28	screenings for sexually transmitted diseases and the human
29	immunodeficiency virus; and pregnancy diagnosis and
30	counseling; and
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1 (3) Referrals to local community providers, including 2 subsidized family planning providers, which provide family planning services and counseling and basic contraceptive, 3 4 pregnancy-preventive, and reproductive health services. 5 Section 3. Comprehensive family life and sexuality 6 education.--7 (1) The Department of Education shall develop a plan to provide comprehensive family life and sexuality education 8 no later than the 2010-2011 school year and shall implement 9 10 such plan by the following school year. (2) As used in this section, the term "comprehensive 11 12 family life and sexuality education" means education in 13 kindergarten through grade 12 which: (a) Respects community values and encourages family 14 15 communication. (b) Develops skills in goal setting, communication, 16 17 decisionmaking, and conflict resolution. 18 (c) Contributes to healthy relationships. 19 (d) Provides education in human development and sexuality which is medically accurate and age-appropriate. 2.0 21 (e) Promotes responsible behavior, including, but not 2.2 limited to, the promotion of abstinence. 23 (f) Addresses the medically accurate use of contraception measures including, but not limited to, the rate 2.4 of efficacy and responsible decisionmaking skills. 25 (q) Promotes individual responsibility. 26 27 Section 4. Treatment for survivors of rape .--2.8 (1) DEFINITIONS.--As used in this section, the term: (a) "Care to a rape survivor" means medical 29 30 examinations, procedures, and services provided to a rape 31 <u>survivor.</u>

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1	(b) "Incest" means a sexual offense described in s.
2	<u>826.04, Florida Statutes.</u>
3	(c) "Emergency birth control" means any drug or device
4	approved by the federal Food and Drug Administration which
5	prevents pregnancy after sexual intercourse.
6	(d) "Rape" means sexual battery as described in ss.
7	794.011 and 827.071, Florida Statutes.
8	(e) "Rape survivor" means a person who alleges or is
9	alleged to have been raped or is the victim of alleged incest
10	and because of the alleged offense seeks treatment as a
11	patient.
12	(2) DUTIES OF LICENSED PRACTITIONERS AND FACILITIES
13	(a) A health care practitioner licensed under chapter
14	<u>458, chapter 459, or chapter 464, Florida Statutes, or a</u>
15	health care facility licensed under chapter 395, Florida
16	Statutes, which provides care to a rape survivor shall:
17	1. Provide each rape survivor with medically and
18	factually accurate, clear, and concise information concerning
19	emergency birth control, including its indications and
20	contraindications and risks associated with its use.
21	2. Inform each female rape survivor of her medical
22	option to receive emergency birth control.
23	(b) If the emergency birth control is requested, the
24	health care practitioner shall immediately prescribe or
25	provide the rape survivor with the emergency birth control if
26	it is determined by the practitioner to be medically
27	appropriate.
28	Section 5. This act shall take effect upon becoming a
29	law.
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