

Amendment No. 1

COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

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| ADOPTED               | <u>    </u> | (Y/N) |
| ADOPTED AS AMENDED    | <u>    </u> | (Y/N) |
| ADOPTED W/O OBJECTION | <u>    </u> | (Y/N) |
| FAILED TO ADOPT       | <u>    </u> | (Y/N) |
| WITHDRAWN             | <u>    </u> | (Y/N) |
| OTHER                 | <u>    </u> |       |

1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Judiciary Committee  
 2 Representative Porter offered the following:

**Amendment (with title amendment)**

5 Remove everything after the enacting clause and insert:

6 Section 1. Section 937.041, Florida Statutes, is created  
 7 to read:

8 937.041 Missing persons with special needs pilot project.-

9 (1) There is created a pilot project in Alachua, Baker,  
 10 Columbia, Hamilton, and Suwannee Counties to be known as  
 11 "Project Leo" to provide personal devices to aid search-and-  
 12 rescue efforts for persons with special needs in the case of  
 13 elopement.

14 (2) There is created an additional pilot project in  
 15 Broward and Palm Beach Counties to provide personal devices to  
 16 aid search-and-rescue efforts for persons with special needs in  
 17 the case of elopement.

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18 (3) Participants for the pilot project in the counties  
19 specified in subsection (1) shall be selected based on criteria  
20 developed by the Center for Autism and Related Disabilities at  
21 the University of Florida. Participants for the pilot project  
22 specified in subsection (2) shall be selected based on criteria  
23 developed by the Center for Autism and Related Disabilities at  
24 Florida Atlantic University. Criteria for participation in the  
25 pilot projects must include, at a minimum, the person's risk of  
26 elopement. The qualifying participants shall be selected on a  
27 first-come, first-served basis by the respective centers to the  
28 extent of available funding within their existing resources. The  
29 project must be voluntary and free of charge to participants.

30 (4) Under the pilot projects, personal devices to aid  
31 search-and-rescue efforts which are attachable to clothing or  
32 otherwise worn shall be provided by the centers to the sheriff's  
33 offices of the participating counties. The devices shall be  
34 distributed to project participants by the county sheriff's  
35 offices in conjunction with the centers. The centers shall fund  
36 any costs associated with monitoring the devices.

37 (5) The centers shall submit a preliminary report by  
38 December 1, 2016, and a final report by December 15, 2017, to  
39 the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of  
40 the House of Representatives describing the implementation and  
41 operation of the pilot projects. At a minimum, the report must  
42 include the criteria used to select participants, the number of  
43 participants, the nature of the participants' special needs, the

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44 number of participants who elope, the amount of time taken to  
45 rescue such participants following elopement, and the outcome of  
46 any rescue attempts. The final report must also provide  
47 recommendations for modification or continued implementation of  
48 the projects.

49 (6) The projects shall operate to the extent of available  
50 funding within the respective centers' existing resources.

51 (7) This section expires June 30, 2018.

52 Section 2. For the 2016-2017 fiscal year, the sum of  
53 \$100,000 is appropriated from the General Revenue Fund to the  
54 Center for Autism and Related Disabilities at the University of  
55 Florida and the sum of \$100,000 is appropriated from the General  
56 Revenue Fund to the Center for Autism and Related Disabilities  
57 at Florida Atlantic University for the purpose of implementing  
58 this act.

59 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016.

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62 **T I T L E A M E N D M E N T**

63 Remove line 3 and insert:

64 creating s. 937.041, F.S.; creating pilot projects in