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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate

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House

The Committee on Appropriations (Perry) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Before line 15

insert:

Section 1. Section 683.231, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

683.231 Citizen support organization for Florida Missing Children's Day.—

(1) The Department of Law Enforcement may establish a citizen support organization to provide assistance, funding, and



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11 promotional support for activities authorized for Florida
12 Missing Children's Day under s. 683.23.

13 (2) As used in this section, the term "citizen support
14 organization" means an organization that is:

15 (a) A Florida corporation not for profit incorporated under
16 chapter 617 and approved by the Department of State.

17 (b) Organized and operated to conduct programs and
18 activities; raise funds; request and receive grants, gifts, and
19 bequests of money; acquire, receive, hold, invest, and
20 administer, in its own name, securities, funds, objects of
21 value, or other property, either real or personal; and make
22 expenditures to or for the direct or indirect benefit of the
23 department in furtherance of Florida Missing Children's Day.

24 (3) The citizen support organization is not a registered
25 lobbyist within the meaning of s. 11.045.

26 (4) The citizen support organization is specifically
27 authorized to collect and expend funds to be used for awards;
28 public awareness and awards ceremonies, workshops, and other
29 meetings, including distribution materials for public education
30 and awareness; travel; Internet and web-hosting services;
31 administrative costs, including personnel costs; costs of
32 audits; and costs of facilities rental.

33 (5) The activities of the citizen support organization must
34 be determined by the department to be consistent with the goals
35 and mission of the department and in the best interests of the
36 state and approved in writing by the department to operate for
37 the direct or indirect benefit of the department. The approval
38 shall be given in a letter of agreement from the department.

39 (6) (a) The department may fix and collect charges for the



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40 rental of facilities and properties managed by the department
41 and may permit, without charge, appropriate use of
42 administrative services, property, and facilities of the
43 department by the citizen support organization, subject to this
44 section. The use must be directly in keeping with the approved
45 purposes of the citizen support organization and may not be made
46 at times or places that would unreasonably interfere with
47 opportunities for the public to use such facilities for
48 established purposes. Any money received from rentals of
49 facilities and properties managed by the department may be held
50 in the Operating Trust Fund of the department or in a separate
51 depository account in the name of the citizen support
52 organization and subject to the provisions of the letter of
53 agreement with the department. The letter of agreement must
54 provide that any funds held in the separate depository account
55 in the name of the citizen support organization must revert to
56 the department if the citizen support organization is no longer
57 approved by the department to operate in the best interests of
58 the state.

59 (b) The department may adopt rules with which a citizen
60 support organization must comply in order to use department
61 administrative services, property, or facilities.

62 (c) The department may not authorize ~~permit~~ the use of any
63 administrative services, property, or facilities of the state by
64 a citizen support organization that does not provide equal
65 membership and employment opportunities to all persons
66 regardless of race, color, religion, gender, age, or national
67 origin.

68 (7) The citizen support organization shall provide for an



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69 independent annual financial audit in accordance with s.
70 215.981. Copies of the audit shall be provided to the
71 department, the Office of Policy and Budget in the Executive
72 Office of the Governor, and the Florida Cabinet.

73 ~~(8) This section is repealed October 1, 2018, unless~~
74 ~~reviewed and saved from repeal by the Legislature.~~

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76 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

77 And the title is amended as follows:

78 Delete lines 2 - 10

79 and insert:

80 An act relating to missing persons; amending s.
81 683.231, F.S.; abrogating the scheduled repeal of
82 provisions relating to a citizen support organization
83 for Florida Missing Children's Day; amending s.
84 937.041, F.S.; expanding a pilot project for missing
85 persons with special needs from specified counties to
86 statewide, through regional autism centers; requiring
87 each center that opts to join the pilot project to
88 distribute personal devices to aid search-and-rescue
89 efforts; requiring that participants be selected based
90 on criteria developed by the respective participating
91 centers; revising the requirements for personal
92 devices used in the pilot project; deleting a
93 reporting requirement; delaying the scheduled repeal
94 of the pilot project; conforming provisions to changes
95 made by the act; providing an