

1989

Session Law 89-261

Florida Senate & House of Representatives

Follow this and additional works at: <https://ir.law.fsu.edu/staff-analysis>



Part of the Legislation Commons

Recommended Citation

House of Representatives, Florida Senate &, "Session Law 89-261" (1989). *Staff Analysis*. 1054.
<https://ir.law.fsu.edu/staff-analysis/1054>

This Article is brought to you for free and open access by the Florida Legislative Documents at Scholarship Repository. It has been accepted for inclusion in Staff Analysis by an authorized administrator of Scholarship Repository. For more information, please contact efarrell@law.fsu.edu.

B
I
L
L

H
I
S
T
O
R
Y

H 504 GENERAL BILL/CS/1ST ENG by Health Care; Frankel; Gordon and others (Compare CS/H 309, 1ST ENG/S 292, CS/S 1214)
Child Safety: requires H.R.S. Dept. to conduct study of accidental childhood death & injury; creates Committee on Child Safety to assist dept. in study; requires dept. to file report of its findings & committee's recommendations re childhood safety with Legislature; authorizes dept. to accept private funds, grants, & services for study; requires fingerprinting of certain noninstructional personnel, etc. Amends 231.02. Appropriation: \$50,000. Effective Date: 07/03/89 except as otherwise provided.

03/03/89 HOUSE Prefiled
03/09/89 HOUSE Referred to Health Care; Appropriations
04/04/89 HOUSE Proposed, referred to Health Care; Appropriations -HJ 54
04/11/89 HOUSE On Committee agenda—Health Care, 04/13/89, 8:00 am, 317-C
04/13/89 HOUSE Preliminary Committee Action by Health Care: Favorable as a CS
05/02/89 HOUSE Comm. Report: CS by Health Care -HJ 338; CS read first time -HJ 333; Now in Appropriations -HJ 338
05/22/89 HOUSE On Committee agenda—Appropriations, 05/22/89, 10:00 am. 21-HOB; Preliminary Committee Action by Appropriations: Favorable; Comm. Report: Favorable by Appropriations, placed on Calendar -HJ 598
05/24/89 HOUSE Placed on Special Order Calendar; Read second time; Amendments adopted; Read third time; CS passed as amended; YEAS 99 NAYS 16 -HJ 623
05/25/89 SENATE In Messages
05/29/89 SENATE Received, referred to Health Care; Education; Appropriations -SJ 499
06/01/89 SENATE Withdrawn from Health Care; Education; Appropriations -SJ 687; Placed on Special Order Calendar -SJ 686 & -SJ 827; CS passed; YEAS 36 NAYS 0 -SJ 860
06/01/89 Ordered enrolled
06/20/89 Signed by Officers and presented to Governor
07/03/89 Approved by Governor; Chapter No. 89-261; See also: SB 292 (Ch. 89-144)

NOTES: Above bill history from Division of Legislative Information's *FINAL LEGISLATIVE BILL INFORMATION, 1989 SESSIONS*. Staff Analyses for bills amended beyond final committee action may not be in accordance with the enacted law. Journal page numbers (HJ & SJ) refer to daily Journals and may not be the same as final bound Journals.

AS PASSED BY THE 1989 LEGISLATURE

STORAGE NAME: h504-f.hc
 DATE: June 6, 1989

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
 HEALTH CARE COMMITTEE
 FINAL STAFF ANALYSIS & ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

BILL #: CS/HB 504

RELATING TO: Child Safety

SPONSOR(S): Committee on Health Care and 19Rep. Gordon

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 1989

DATE BECAME LAW: July 3, 1989

CHAPTER #: 89-261, Laws of Florida

COMPANION BILL(S): SB 1214

OTHER COMMITTEES OF REFERENCE: (1) Appropriations

(2)

I. SUMMARY:

This bill directs the Secretary of the Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services to conduct a study of accidental death and injury in children. An advisory committee of persons with expertise in child safety is to assist the department with this study. The department is to report the committee's recommendations by February 1 1990. Funding for the study is to be appropriated from the Emergency Medical Services Trust Fund in the amount of \$50,000.

A. PRESENT SITUATION:

Currently, accidental deaths and injuries to children are not addressed as a comprehensive statewide program. Today, preventable injuries claim more children's lives than any other cause including crime, violence and illness. Injury is one of our most expensive public health problems, nationally the direct and indirect cost is \$75-100 billion annually. Florida's children are at a higher risk of accidental death and injury than children in many other states. Drowning and near drowning in Florida children ages 1-4 not only leads the nation on a per capita basis, it is on the rise. The cost of just one severely brain injured child during a lifetime is estimated at \$4 million. In addition, the estimated cost for pedestrian and bicycle injuries in Florida, 1986, was \$342 million. Although the consequences of childhood injury are a major health care concern in Florida, a comprehensive, statewide program for monitoring and surveillance of injuries has not been attempted to date.

STORAGE NAME: h504-f.hc

DATE: June 6, 1989

PAGE: 2

B. EFFECT OF PROPOSED CHANGES:

The committee substitute requires the assembly of a committee of experts in child safety. Individuals from the areas of pediatrics, injury epidemiology, education, public health, nursing, homicide, pedestrian/bicycle safety, Red Cross, immunization, poison control and consumers groups will convene for the purpose of developing recommendations by February 1, 1990.

The Secretary of the Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services would report these recommendations for future legislation. Recommendations would be specific for the areas of: additions and revisions to Florida laws, the need for safety education and its implementation, the need for a central approach for surveillance and data collection, and the effectiveness of treatment once an accident has occurred.

II. FISCAL ANALYSIS & ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT:

A. FISCAL IMPACT ON STATE AGENCIES/STATE FUNDS:

1. Non-recurring or First Year Start-Up Effects:

Emergency Medical Services Trust Fund would be assessed for the sum of \$50,000.

The department estimates the costs to be an additional \$70,00 for two full time staff persons.

2. Recurring or Annualized Continuation Effects:

Unknown at this time.

3. Long Run Effects Other Than Normal Growth:

Unknown at this time.

4. Appropriations Consequences:

B. FISCAL IMPACT ON LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AS A WHOLE:

1. Non-recurring or First Year Start-Up Effects:

None.

2. Recurring or Annualized Continuation Effects:

None.

3. Long Run Effects Other Than Normal Growth:

None.

STORAGE NAME: h504-f.hc

DATE: June 6, 1989

PAGE: 3

C. DIRECT ECONOMIC IMPACT ON PRIVATE SECTOR:

1. Direct Private Sector Costs:

None.

2. Direct Private Sector Benefits:

None.

3. Effects on Competition, Private Enterprise, and Employment Markets:

None.

D. FISCAL COMMENTS:

III. LONG RANGE CONSEQUENCES:

IV. COMMENTS:

Injury and death due to accidents have long been recognized as a public health problem. On the national level Dr. Everett Koop has established a Safe Kids Campaign which is an effort to make the environment "safer for every kid in America."

The most preventable injuries of children are: (1) bicycle/pedestrian accidents; traveling as a passenger in a car, and drowning. Florida leads the nation on a per capita basis in all three of these categories.

In 1986 the American Association of Poison Centers stated "approximately 92% of the poisoning exposures occur at home with 47% occurring in children less than 3 years old". Florida's Poison Control Center in Tampa reported an 8% increase in 1987, for the number of calls it received in 1986 totaling more than 55,000.

This bill is consistent with the Mission Statement of the Committee on Health Care in that the study committee would identify potential delivery systems to increase access to care for children and decrease the cost of medical care through preventive intervention.

History

4/4/89	H	Proposed; referred to Health Care, Appropriations
4/13/89	H	Reported favorable by Health Care as a CS
5/22/89	H	Reported favorable by Appropriations
5/24/89	H	Placed on Special Order Calendar; passed as amended 99 years, 16 days

STORAGE NAME: h504-f.hc

DATE: June 6, 1989

PAGE: 4

5/29/89 S Received, referred to Health Care, Education,
Appropriations
6/1/89 S Withdrawn from Health Care, Education, Appropriations;
placed on Special Order Calendar; passed 36 yeas, 0 nays
6/1/89 Ordered enrolled

V. SIGNATURES:

SUBSTANTIVE COMMITTEE:

Prepared by:

Mike Hansen
Mike Hansen

Staff Director:

Mike Hansen
Mike Hansen

SECOND COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE:

Prepared by:

Staff Director:

APPROPRIATIONS:

Prepared by:

Staff Director:
