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1		A bill to be entitled	
2	An act relatin	g to cross over youth; creating a	pilot
3	project to ser	ve youth in common to Department o	f
4	Children and F	amilies and Department of Juvenile	1
5	Justice; provi	ding for selection of a county for	the
6	project; requi	ring proposals from interested	
7	providers; spe	cifying elements to be included in	the
8	project; requi	ring reports to the Legislature;	
9	providing an e	ffective date.	
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11	Whereas, hundr	eds of youth each month in Florida	are served
12	in both the child w	elfare system and juvenile justice	system,
13	and		
14	Whereas, a sig	mificant number of these children	who reside
15	in residential grou	p homes have a felony arrest recor	d, and
16	Whereas, these	youth tend to have a greater need	for
17	specialized service	s and can have a negative effect o	n other
18	youth in the same g	roup residential settings, and	
19	Whereas, the s	tate needs to assess the impact of	these
20	youth on the child	welfare and juvenile justice syste	ms and to
21	develop better inte	grated systems of care and improve	d services
22	to respond to the n	eeds of these youth, Now, THEREFOR	Е,
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24	Be It Enacted by th	e Legislature of the State of Flor	ida:
25	Section 1. Th	e Cross Over Youth pilot project -	The Cross
26	Over Youth pilot pr	oject is established as a collabor	ative
27	initiative of the D	epartment of Children and Families	and the
28	Department of Juven	ile Justice. The project will dem	onstrate a
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29	more effective service model for cross over youth, efficient
30	coordination of services between agencies and the evidence of
31	improved outcomes for youth residing in the pilot project
32	facility. Crossover youth are defined as youth under the age of
33	18 who are receiving services from the Department of Juvenile
34	Justice and the Department of Children and Families.
35	(1) The pilot project shall be in one county with a high
36	rate of cross over youth, which is mutually agreed upon by the
37	Secretaries of the two agencies. Preference shall be given to
38	counties which have a unified family court.
39	(2) The Secretary of the Department of Children and
40	Families shall seek proposals from interested child welfare
41	service providers to elicit innovative approaches for the pilot.
42	The Secretary of the Department of Children and Families in
43	consultation with the Secretary of the Department of Juvenile
44	Justice shall select one or more residential homes from the
45	pilot county to participate in the project.
46	(3) The pilot project shall include but not be limited to
47	the following:
48	(a) Training provided by the Department of Juvenile Justice
49	to pilot home staff.
50	(b) Intervention services by the Department of Juvenile
51	Justice to probation youth residing in pilot homes.
52	(c) Enhanced security measures at pilot homes.
53	(d) Unified treatment plans for cross over youth served by
54	multiple state and local agencies.
55	(e) Interventions to ensure that low risk to reoffend youth
56	are not negatively affected by high risk cross over youth.
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57	(f) The	pilot project shall begin no late	er than July 1,
58	2013 and shall	end June 30, 2014.	
59	(g) The I	Department of Children and Familie	es and Department
60	<u>of Juvenile Ju</u>	stice shall jointly prepare an in	nterim report and
61	final report o	on findings and recommendations f	rom the pilot
62	project. The 1	eports shall include performance	measure data
63	including but	not limited to the:	
64	<u>1. Number</u>	of youth served by the program	including
65	demographic in	formation, prior offense history	, relative risk to
66	reoffend at ti	me of placement as determined by	Department of
67	Juvenile Justi	.ce.	
68	2. Number	of youth who receive a charge for	or a new violation
69	of law while u	under supervision of the pilot pro	ogram.
70	3. Number	of youth who receive a violation	n of probation
71	while under su	pervision of the pilot.	
72	4. A redu	action in risk factors.	
73	5. Increa	ases in protective factors.	
74	<u>6. Number</u>	of youth who transfer out of the	e pilot home for
75	<u>behavioral rea</u>	isons.	
76	7. Number	of calls to law enforcement as a	a result of
77	<u>incidents</u> invo	lving youth in the pilot home.	
78	8. Academ	nic performance of youth in the p	ilot home.
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80	<u>The interim re</u>	eport is due December 31, 2013, an	nd the final
81	report is due	August 31, 2014. The reports sha	all be submitted
82	to the Governo	or, the Speaker of the House of Re	epresentatives,
83	and the Presid	lent of the Senate.	
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85		Section	2.	This	act	shall	take	effect	upon	becoming	law.	

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