



Children, Families & Seniors Subcommittee

**Wednesday, March 11, 2015
10:00 AM – 12:00 PM
12 HOB**

Action Packet

**Steve Crisafulli
Speaker**

**Gayle B. Harrell
Chair**

COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT
Children, Families & Seniors Subcommittee

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Summary:

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HB 177	Favorable With Committee Substitute	Yeas: 13	Nays: 0
	Amendment 904103 Adopted Without Objection		
HB 291	Favorable	Yeas: 13	Nays: 0

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Attendance:

	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Excused</i>
Gayle Harrell (Chair)	X		
Gwyndolen Clarke-Reed	X		
Bill Hager	X		
Travis Hutson	X		
MaryLynn Magar	X		
Amanda Murphy	X		
Jeanette Nuñez	X		
Kathleen Peters	X		
Sharon Pritchett	X		
Ray Rodrigues	X		
Patrick Rooney, Jr.	X		
Victor Torres, Jr.	X		
Carlos Trujillo	X		
Totals:	13	0	0

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HB 177 : Persons with Developmental Disabilities

Favorable With Committee Substitute

	<i>Yea</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>No Vote</i>	<i>Absentee Yea</i>	<i>Absentee Nay</i>
Gwyndolen Clarke-Reed	X				
Bill Hager	X				
Travis Hutson	X				
MaryLynn Magar	X				
Amanda Murphy	X				
Jeanette Nuñez	X				
Kathleen Peters	X				
Sharon Pritchett	X				
Ray Rodrigues	X				
Patrick Rooney, Jr.	X				
Victor Torres, Jr.	X				
Carlos Trujillo	X				
Gayle Harrell (Chair)	X				
Total Yeas: 13		Total Nays: 0			

HB 177 Amendments

Amendment 904103

Adopted Without Objection

Appearances:

Military Families I/DD
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HB 291 : Involuntary Examinations of Minors

Favorable

	<i>Yea</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>No Vote</i>	<i>Absentee Yea</i>	<i>Absentee Nay</i>
Gwyndolen Clarke-Reed	X				
Bill Hager	X				
Travis Hutson	X				
MaryLynn Magar	X				
Amanda Murphy	X				
Jeanette Nuñez	X				
Kathleen Peters	X				
Sharon Pritchett	X				
Ray Rodrigues	X				
Patrick Rooney, Jr.	X				
Victor Torres, Jr.	X				
Carlos Trujillo	X				
Gayle Harrell (Chair)	X				
Total Yeas: 13		Total Nays: 0			

Appearances:

Trammell, Robert (Lobbyist) (State Employee) - Waive In Support
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Presentation/Workshop/Other Business Appearances:

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Tallahassee Fl 32399
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Bates, Meg (State Employee) (At Request Of Chair) - Information Only
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Group Care

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Group Care Presentation

Jackson, Ashley - Information Only
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Tallahassee Fl 32301
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Out of Home Care

Thomas, Janice (Lobbyist) (State Employee) (At Request Of Chair) - Information Only
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Asst. Secretary of Child Welfare
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Tallahassee Fl 32390
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Quality Care

Gregory, Brad (General Public) - Information Only
Florida Sheriff Youth Ranch
Vice President Programs
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Presentation/Workshop/Other Business Appearances: (continued)

Quality of Out-of-Home Care

Spudeas, Christina (Lobbyist) (At Request Of Chair) - Information Only

Florida's Children First

Executive Director

1801 N. University Drive, Ste. 3B

Coral Springs Fl 33071

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Residential Group Care

Bender, Kenneth (At Request Of Chair) - Information Only

Florida Coalition for Children/Boy's Town

Executive Director Boy's Town North Florida

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Tallahassee Fl 32303

Phone: (850) 575-6422

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Name/Location	Licensed Capacity	Description	Min Age	Max Age	Gender	Years of operation	Began Services	Average LOS (days)	Total/Average Service of Staff	Community Support (contributions/donations)
Transitional Living- Jacksonville	10	This is a residential home for pregnant and parenting teen mothers and their babies with focus on parenting, education and independent living skills development. Capacity is for 5 mothers and their child.	12	17	F	45 years	1970	48	95.4/7.95 years (employee-29 years)	YTD \$27,107 UW; \$20,691 Grants; \$200 contributions; \$28,193 In kind
Faine House: Pine Hills- Orlando	10	The Faine House offers housing, basic life skill training and support for educational or employment goals for young men and women aged 18 - 23 years.	18	23	M&F	2 years	2013	330	3.3/.66 (all part time)	FY \$338,034 includes contributions, special event revenues, grants and pledges
Joshua House: Lutz-Tampa	36	There are three separate homes on the campus for youth in foster care; 1 boys home ages 13-15, 1 girls home ages 13-15 and 1 girls home ages 15-17	6	17	M&F	23 years	1992	152	77.9/1.85 years (employee-21 years)	FY \$184,378 includes corporate donations, special events, trusts, foundations and fundraising contributions; UW \$40,450. Volunteer support - hundreds of volunteers and thousands of hours from individuals, businesses, churches, philanthropy orgs
Tree House: Tallahassee	10	This is an emergency shelter for youth in foster care ages 2-11. The shelters serves boys, girls and sibling groups.	2	11	M&F	27 years	1988	144	197.57/ 13.5 years	YTD \$43,423 contributions; \$4255 in kind; UW \$30,000
Brian's House: Deland	8	This is a residential home for teen boys in foster care providing onsite counseling services, life skills and educational support.	13	17	M	26 years	1989	252	124.6/3.66 years	FY \$110,000 annual from various Foundations & Trusts and UW. Recreational activities, education incentive awards and repairs and items for 3 Deland homes.
Destiny House: Deland	8	This is a residential home for teen girls in foster care providing onsite counseling services, life skills and educational support.	13	17	F	23 years	1992	220	same as above	same as above
Sunshine House: Deland	8	This is a residential home for siblings in foster care providing onsite counseling services, life skills and educational support.	10	15	M&F	26 years	1989	164	same as above	same as above
Hansen House: Sebring	6	This is a residential home for teen girls in foster care providing onsite counseling services, life skills and educational support.	13	17	F	21 years	1994	305	13.5/1.68 years	FY \$11,758 UW; \$11,951 contributions; \$10,210 contributed goods
Nelle Smith: West Palm Beach	12	This is a residential home for teen girls in foster care providing onsite counseling services, life skills and educational support.	13	17	F	13 years	2002*	474	17.5/1.94 years	FY \$200,000 grant for cultural arts for youth; \$26,000 financial contributions; Junior League support with donations and volunteers
Safe Harbor: West Palm Beach	10	This is an emergency shelter for runaway and homeless teens and is part of the Florida Network	12	17	M&F	31 years	1984	16	16.7/1.39 years	FY \$25,000 foundation grants; \$5,000 donations
Transitions Home: West Palm Beach	16	This is a residential home for pregnant and parenting teen mothers and their babies with focus on parenting, education and independent living skills development. Capacity is for 8 mothers and their child.	12	17	F&child	13 years	2002	365	35.4/4.4 years	FY \$35,000 foundation grants; \$1000 donations
Hacienda Girls Ranch: Melbourne	16	This is a residential home for teen girls in foster care providing onsite counseling services, life skills and educational support.	12	17	F	17 years	1998*	172	29.2/2.65 years	FY \$109,798 contributions, goods and services
McLamore Children's Center: Miami	20	Emergency home for children 0-11. Can take up to 12 years old, if a sibling group.	0	11	M&F	30 years	1985	126	59.1/.67 years	FY \$39,000 contributions; \$50,000 grants, various in kind gift and donations for clothes and toys; over 1300 hours of volunteer time
Group Homes: Miami	66	There are a total of 11 group homes for teens 12-17 in Miami. There are 2 homes are for Teen Moms, 4 for Teen Girls, 2 for Teen Boys and the remaining 3 homes are flexible based on needs such as sibling groups. Homes serve up to 6 youth.	12	17	M&F	14 years	2001	267	same as above	YTD \$836 contributions; \$5256 grants (\$35k grant just received). Have applied for 7 additional grants since January 2015; over 1300 hours of volunteer time
WAVE Crest: Ft Pierce	12	This is an emergency shelter for runaway and homeless teens and is part of the Florida Network	11	17	M&F	29 years	1986	12	42.6/4.26 years	YTD- \$2850 contributions; \$2435 in kind; \$10,349 UW
Clair's House: Callaway- Panama City	10	This is a residential home for youth in foster care providing onsite counseling services, life skills and educational support.	6	17	M&F	10 years	2005	250	18/2 years	YTD - \$19,813 cash and \$795 in-kind. Volunteer hours YTD are 25.