

## **2009 FPS/FCAAP LEGISLATIVE REPORT (Preliminary)**

**S 344 by Rich; Oelrich; Jones; Hill; Altman; Lynn; Storms; Bullard; Deutch (Similar H 1 by Glorioso; Hooper; Porth; Waldman )**  
**Safety Belt Law Enforcement; Designates act "Dori Slosberg and Katie Marchetti Safety Belt Law";** deletes requirement for enforcement of Florida Safety Belt Law as secondary action. EFFECTIVE DATE: 06/30/2009. **05/06/09 SENATE Approved by Governor; Chapter No.**

**S 918 by Rich (Similar H 1329 by Patronis)**  
**Florida KidCare Program; Clarifies the application of the Florida KidCare program to include all eligible uninsured, low-income children. Removes a restriction on participation in the Florida Healthy Kids program. Authorizes certain enrollees to opt out of the Children's Medical Services network. Deletes provisions that place a limit on enrollment in Medikids and the Florida Healthy Kids full-pay program, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.**

**H 807 by Clarke-Reed (Similar S 338 by Wilson)**  
**KidCare Program Outreach Study/OPPAGA; Requires the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability to perform a study of the outreach efforts of the KidCare program. Provides requirements for the study. Requires a report to the Legislature by a specified date. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.**

**H 1405 by Homan (Identical S 2296 Constantine)**  
**Influenza Vaccine; Requires children receiving care at child care facilities, family day care homes, and large family child care homes to be vaccinated for the influenza virus. Requires the DOH to adopt rules to add the vaccine to its list of required vaccines. Requires child care facilities, family day care homes, and large family child care homes to furnish proof of compliance to the DOH by a specified date. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.**

**S162 by Ring (Compare H 1097 by Grimsley)**  
**Electronic Health Records; Expands access to a patient's medical records to facilitate the electronic exchange of data between certain health care facilities, practitioners, and providers and attending physicians. Creates the "Florida Health Initiative Act." Requires the Agency for Health Care Administration to award and monitor grants to certain health information organizations, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.**

**S1122 by Gaetz (Identical H 0855 by Llorente; Porth)**  
**Health Insurance/Payment of Benefits/Claims Forms; Requires that an insurer make payment to the designated provider of services whenever an insured, using any health insurance claim form, specifically authorizes payments of benefits directly to any recognized hospital, licensed ambulance provider, physician, dentist, or other person who provided the services in accordance with the provisions of the policy. Requires that claims forms provide an option for such payment, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.**

**S1840 by Deutch; Rich**  
**Health Care/Cigarette Tax; Requires that the Division of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco certify to the Chief Financial Officer monthly the amount of net collections derived from the cigarette tax. Provides that moneys derived from such tax be allocated**

to the Lawton Chiles Endowment Fund during a specified fiscal year. Creates the Graduate Medical Education Workforce Act. Revises provisions relating to the Mary Brogan Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.

## **CONFERENCE COMMITTEE**

### **S1986 by Gaetz (Compare CS/H 1487)**

Medicaid Provider; Authorizes the AHCA to immediately terminate participation of a corporate Medicaid provider for actions or inactions of an officer, director, affiliated person, or other person having an ownership interest. Authorizes the agency to terminate or suspend such a provider's participation in this state's Medicaid program if its participation has been terminated or suspended in another state or by the Federal Government, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.

## **BUDGET:**

Implementing Legislation – Medicaid

Medical Home Pilot Project – Agency directed to implement a medical home pilot project that utilizes primary care case management through the medical schools and Federally Qualified Health Centers. The Secretary of AHCA shall appoint a task force by August 1, 2009 to assist in the development and implementation of the medical home pilot project.

The hospital licensure law is amended to allow certain specialty licensed children's hospitals to provide cardiovascular service to adults who, as children, were served by the hospital or to those patients who are referred for specialized procedures only for congenital heart disease by an adult hospital.

Children's Medical Services was cut \$1,233,272 and prohibited from utilizing funds to support continuing education courses or training for health professionals or staff employed by the CMS Network.