



KEN PRUITT
President of the Senate

THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE



MARCO RUBIO
*Speaker of the House of
Representatives*

April 29, 2008

The Honorable Ken Pruitt
President of the Senate

The Honorable Marco Rubio
Speaker, House of Representatives

Dear Mr. President and Mr. Speaker:

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Your Conference Committee on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on HB 5085, same being:

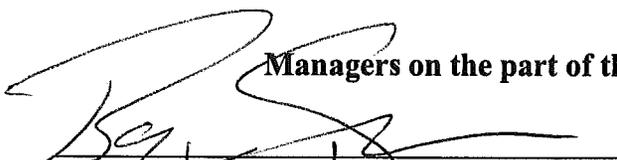
An act relating to **health care**; authorizing the Agency for Health Care Administration to transfer funds to the Grants and Donations Trust Fund for certain repayments; revising the short title; providing additional legislative intent; requiring the agency to develop a procurement document and procedure to claim certain federal matching funds; discontinuing optional Medicaid payments for certain persons age 65 or over or who are blind or disabled; revising certain eligibility criteria for pregnant women and children younger than age 21; authorizing payment of a specified amount for Medicaid services provided by an anesthesiologist assistant; deleting a provision prohibiting Medicaid from making any payment toward deductibles and coinsurance for services not covered by Medicaid; providing limitations on Medicaid payments for coinsurance; providing for Medicaid to pay for certain X-ray services in a nursing home; revising reimbursement rates for providers of Medicaid prescribed drugs; requiring the agency to revise reimbursement rates for hospitals, nursing homes, county health departments, and community intermediate care facilities for the developmentally disabled for 2 fiscal years; requiring the agency to apply the effect of the revised reimbursement rates to set payment rates for managed care plans and nursing home diversion programs; requiring the agency to establish workgroups to evaluate alternative reimbursement and payment methodologies for hospitals, nursing facilities, and managed care plans; requiring a report; providing for future repeal of the suspension of the use of cost data to set certain rates; revising the share data used to calculate disproportionate share payments to hospitals; revising the time period during which the agency is prohibited from distributing disproportionate share payments to regional perinatal intensive care centers; requiring the agency to distribute moneys provided in the General Appropriations Act to statutorily defined teaching hospitals and family practice teaching hospitals under the teaching hospital disproportionate share program for the 2008-2009 fiscal year; prohibiting the agency from distributing moneys under the primary care disproportionate share program for the 2008-2009 fiscal year; adding a county for participation in the Medicaid behavioral health care services

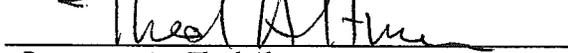
specialty prepaid plan; revising reimbursement rates to pharmacies for Medicaid prescribed drugs; requiring the agency to notify the Legislature before seeking an amendment to the state plan in order to implement programs authorized by the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005; providing for proposed alternatives for health and long-term care reforms; revising enrollment requirements relating to Medicaid managed care programs and the agency's authority to assign persons to MediPass or a managed care plan; removing the limitation on the application of certain rates and rate reductions used by the agency to reimburse managed care plans; prohibiting mailing of the explanation of benefits for certain Medicaid services; repealing s. 409.9061, F.S., relating to authority for a statewide laboratory services contract; repealing s. 430.83, F.S., relating to the Sunshine for Seniors Program.

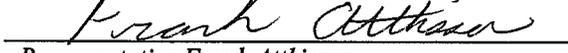
having met, and after full and free conference, do recommend to their respective houses as follows:

1. That the Senate recede from its Amendment 1.
2. That the Senate and House of Representatives adopt the Conference Committee Amendment attached hereto, and by reference made a part of this report.

Managers on the part of the House of Representatives

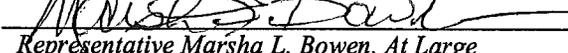

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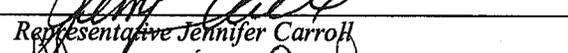
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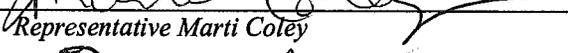
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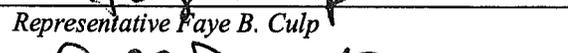

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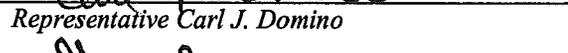
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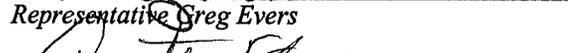
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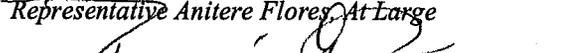

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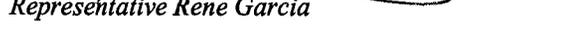

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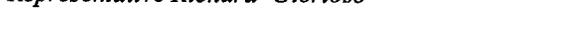

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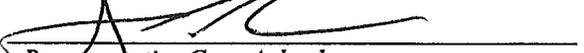
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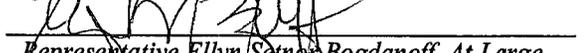

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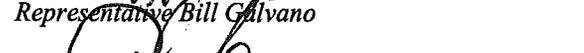
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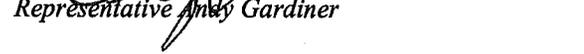

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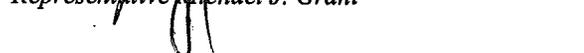
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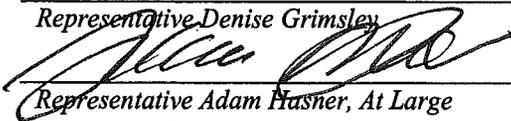

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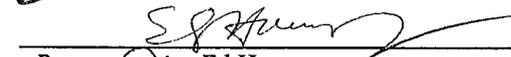

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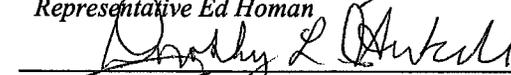
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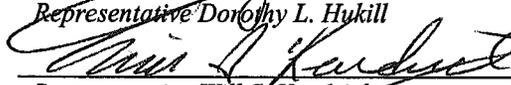
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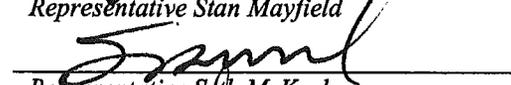
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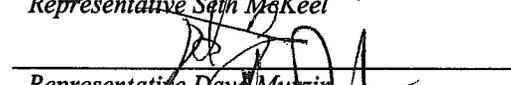
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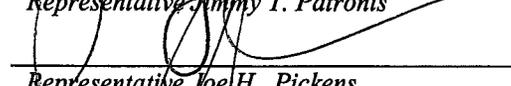
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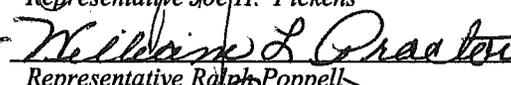
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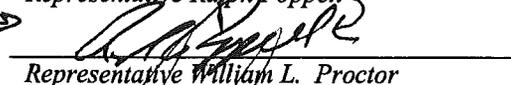
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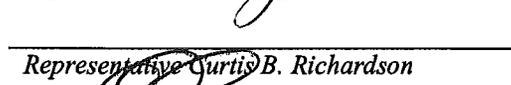
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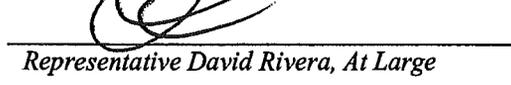
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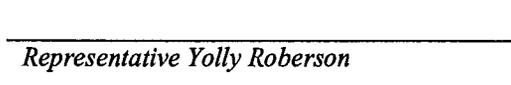
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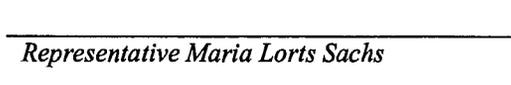
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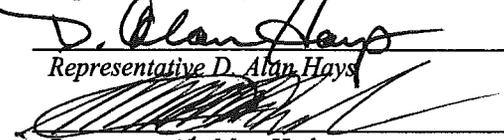


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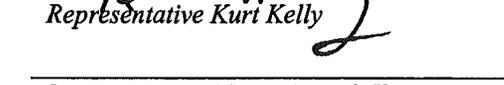
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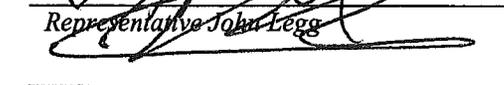
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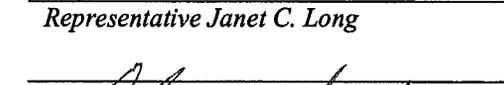
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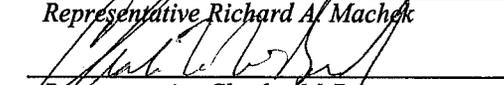
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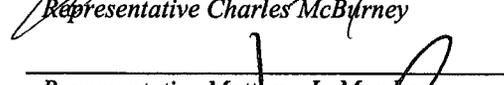
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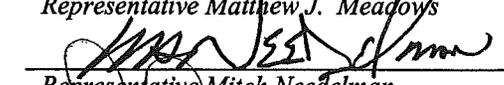
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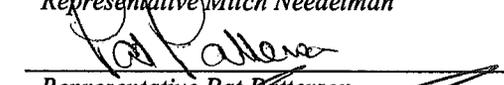
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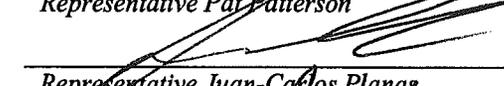
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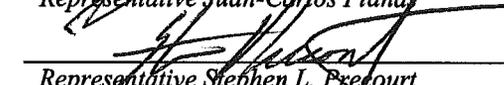
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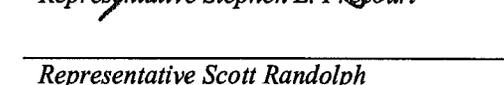
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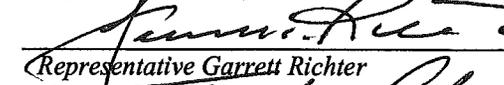
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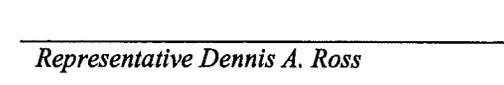
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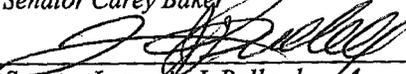
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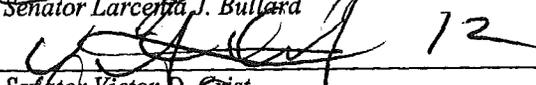
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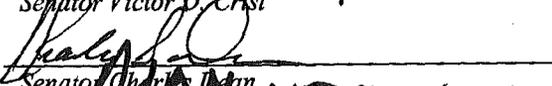

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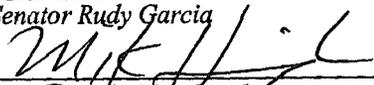
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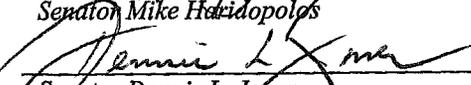
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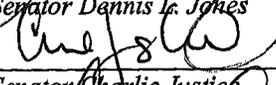
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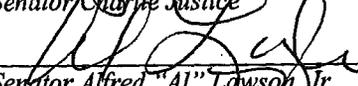
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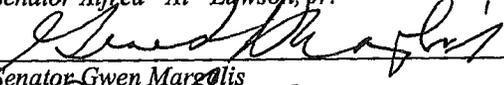
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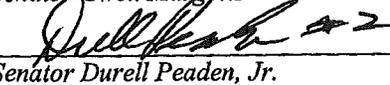
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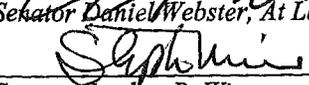

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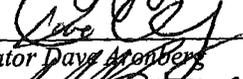
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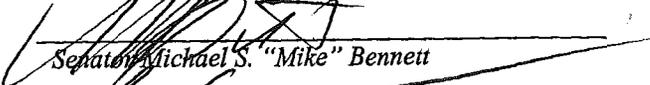
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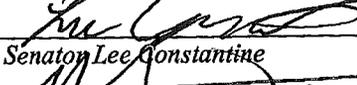
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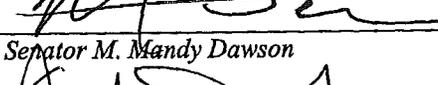
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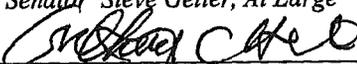
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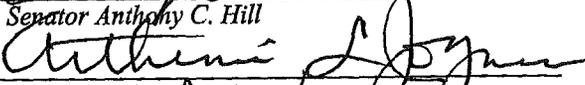
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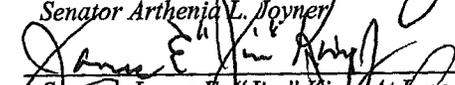

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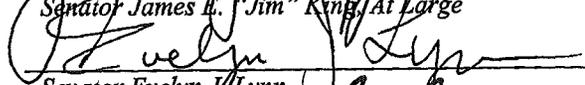
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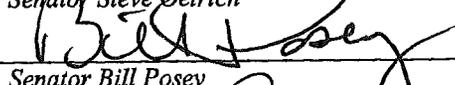
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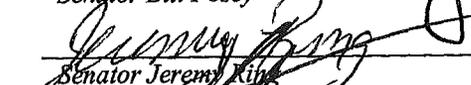
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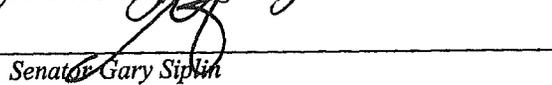
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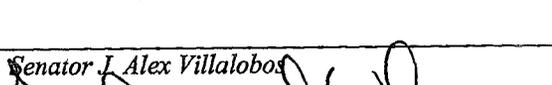
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