 CHAPTER 2018-157

House Bill No. 1009

An act relating to the Closing the Gap grant program; amending s. 381.7355, F.S.; providing an additional priority area for Closing the Gap grant proposals that addresses racial and ethnic disparities in morbidity and mortality rates relating to Lupus; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section 381.7355, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

381.7355 Project requirements; review criteria.—

(2) A proposal must include each of the following elements:

(a) The purpose and objectives of the proposal, including identification of the particular racial or ethnic disparity the project will address. The proposal must address one or more of the following priority areas:

1. Decreasing racial and ethnic disparities in maternal and infant mortality rates.

2. Decreasing racial and ethnic disparities in morbidity and mortality rates relating to cancer.

3. Decreasing racial and ethnic disparities in morbidity and mortality rates relating to HIV/AIDS.

4. Decreasing racial and ethnic disparities in morbidity and mortality rates relating to cardiovascular disease.

5. Decreasing racial and ethnic disparities in morbidity and mortality rates relating to diabetes.

6. Increasing adult and child immunization rates in certain racial and ethnic populations.

7. Decreasing racial and ethnic disparities in oral health care.

8. Decreasing racial and ethnic disparities in morbidity and mortality rates relating to sickle cell disease.

9. Decreasing racial and ethnic disparities in morbidity and mortality rates relating to Lupus.

10. Improve neighborhood social determinants of health, such as transportation, safety, and food access, as outlined by the Centers for

CODING: Words stricken are deletions; words underlined are additions.
Disease Control and Prevention’s “Tools for Putting Social Determinants of Health into Action.”

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2018.

Approved by the Governor April 6, 2018.

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