

Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs

CS/CS/SB 202 — Florida Association of Centers for Independent Living

by Fiscal Policy Committee; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs Committee; and Senator Bean

The bill renames the James Patrick Memorial Work Incentive Personal Attendant Services Program as the James Patrick Memorial Work Incentive Personal Attendant Services and Employment Assistance Program. The bill expands the program to provide other supports and services, such as adaptive technology and transportation, in addition to providing a personal care attendant to disabled adults to assist them in securing and maintaining employment. The bill changes an existing oversight group to an oversight council and revises its membership and responsibilities. The Florida Association for Independent Living will continue to provide administrative support and may use up to 12 percent of the funds deposited in the Florida Endowment Foundation for Vocational Rehabilitation (the Able Trust) for the program. The bill also increases the amount provided to each state attorney that participates in the tax collection enforcement diversion program from \$50,000 to \$75,000 each year.

If approved by the Governor, these provisions take effect July 1, 2016.

Vote: Senate 40-0; House 113-0