

By Senator Holzendorf

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to rulemaking authority with
3 respect to services for the blind (RAB);
4 amending s. 413.011, F.S.; authorizing
5 rulemaking for vocational rehabilitation
6 programs and forms; amending s. 413.051, F.S.;
7 authorizing rulemaking for a vending facility
8 program; providing an effective date.

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

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12 Section 1. Paragraphs (l) and (m) are added to
13 subsection (1) of section 413.011, Florida Statutes, to read:

14 413.011 Division of Blind Services, internal
15 organizational structure; Advisory Council for the Blind.--

16 (1) The internal organizational structure of the
17 Division of Blind Services shall be designed for the purpose
18 of insuring the greatest possible efficiency and effectiveness
19 of services to the blind and to be consistent with chapter 20.
20 The Division of Blind Services shall plan, supervise, and
21 carry out the following activities:

22 (l) Adopt by rule procedures for providing vocational
23 rehabilitation services for the blind.

24 (m) Adopt by rule forms and instructions to be used by
25 the division in its general administration.

26 Section 2. Subsection (12) of section 413.051, Florida
27 Statutes, is amended to read:

28 413.051 Eligible blind persons; operation of vending
29 stands.--

30 (12) The Division of Blind Services may adopt ~~is~~
31 ~~authorized to promulgate~~ rules to permit the division to

1 establish and maintain vending facilities, issue licenses,
2 establish and maintain a vending-facility training program,
3 provide vendors access to financial data of the program, set
4 aside funds from net proceeds of the vending facility, provide
5 for the transfer and promotion of vendors, establish a vendors
6 committee, provide for an operation agreement, provide duties
7 and responsibilities of the division with respect to the
8 vending facility program, and provide procedures for newspaper
9 vending sales ~~as needed to implement the provisions of this~~
10 ~~section.~~

11 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 1998.

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SENATE SUMMARY

Authorizes the Division of Blind Services of the Department of Labor and Employment Security to adopt rules and forms related to vocational rehabilitation services and the establishment and operation of a vending facilities program.