

1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to direct-support
3 organizations; creating s. 20.193, F.S.;
4 providing for direct-support organizations for
5 the benefit of the Department of Children and
6 Family Services; providing a definition;
7 providing for administration of funds;
8 providing purposes and objectives; requiring
9 funds be used for enhancement of department
10 programs and projects; authorizing certain use
11 of state property and facilities; requiring
12 annual audit; authorizing designation of
13 employees to solicit funds; creating s.
14 430.065, F.S.; providing for direct-support
15 organizations for the benefit of the Department
16 of Elder Affairs; providing a definition;
17 providing purposes and objectives; requiring
18 funds be used for enhancement of department
19 programs and projects; authorizing certain use
20 of state property and facilities; requiring
21 annual audit; providing an effective date.

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

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25 Section 1. Section 20.193, Florida Statutes, is
26 created to read:

27 20.193 Department of Children and Family Services
28 direct-support organization.--

29 (1) As used in this section, the term "direct-support
30 organization" means a not-for-profit corporation incorporated
31 under chapter 617 and organized and operated to conduct

1 programs and activities; initiate developmental projects;
2 raise funds; request and receive grants, gifts, and bequests
3 of moneys; acquire, receive, hold, invest, and administer, in
4 its own name, securities, funds, objects of value, or other
5 property, real or personal; and make expenditures to or for
6 the direct or indirect benefit of the Department of Children
7 and Family Services or individual programs or projects of the
8 department.

9 (2) A direct support organization may be organized to
10 accomplish the purposes and objectives set forth in subsection
11 (3) of this section. The direct support organization will
12 maintain donations and direct service expenditures in a bank
13 account outside of the State Treasury. Any administrative
14 costs of running and promoting the purposes of the corporation
15 will be paid for by private funds or state appropriations to
16 the extend the receipt of federal funding by the department is
17 not jeopardized.

18 (3) The purposes and objectives of the direct-support
19 organization must be consistent with the priority issues and
20 objectives of the department and must be in the best interest
21 of the state.

22 (4) Funds designated for the direct-support
23 organization shall be used for the enhancement of programs and
24 projects of the department.

25 (5) The department may permit, without charge, the
26 appropriate use of property and facilities of the state by the
27 direct-support organization subject to the provisions of this
28 section. Such use must be directly in keeping with the
29 approved purpose of the direct-support organization.

30 (6) The direct-support organization shall provide for
31 an annual financial audit in accordance with s. 215.981.

1 Section 2. Subsection (10) is added to section 20.19,
2 Florida Statutes, to read:

3 (10) SOLICITATION OF DONATIONS TO DIRECT-SUPPORT
4 ORGANIZATIONS.--The secretary may designate employees of the
5 department to solicit donations from public or private sources
6 pursuant to s. 20.193.

7 Section 3. Section 430.065, Florida Statutes, is
8 created to read:

9 430.065 Department of Elder Affairs direct-support
10 organization.--

11 (1) As used in this section, the term "direct-support
12 organization" means a not-for-profit corporation incorporated
13 under chapter 617 and organized and operated to conduct
14 programs and activities; initiate developmental projects;
15 raise funds; request and receive grants, gifts, and bequests
16 of moneys; acquire, receive, hold, invest, and administer, in
17 its own name, securities, funds, objects of value, or other
18 property, real or personal; and make expenditures to or for
19 the direct or indirect benefit of the Department of Elder
20 Affairs or individual programs or projects of the department.

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22 organization must be consistent with the priority issues and
23 objectives of the department and must be in the best interest
24 of the state.

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26 organization shall be used for the enhancement of programs and
27 projects of the department.

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29 appropriate use of property and facilities of the state by the
30 direct-support organization subject to the provisions of this
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2 approved purpose of the direct-support organization.

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4 an annual financial audit in accordance with s. 215.981.

5 Section 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a
6 law.

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