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The Committee on Future of Florida's Families recommends the following:

Committee Substitute

Remove the entire bill and insert:

A bill to be entitled
An act relating to community care for the elderly;
amending s. 430.205, F.S.; providing guidelines for
determining the priority of recipients of services;
providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Subsection (5) of section 430.205, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

430.205 Community care service system.--

(5) Any person who has been classified as a functionally impaired elderly person is eligible to receive community-care-for-the-elderly core services.

(a) Those elderly persons who are determined by protective investigations to be vulnerable adults in need of services, pursuant to s. 415.104(3)(b), or to be victims of abuse,



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29 neglect, or exploitation who are in need of immediate services
30 to prevent further harm and are referred by the adult protective
31 services program, shall be given primary consideration for
32 receiving community-care-for-the-elderly services. As used in
33 this paragraph ~~subsection~~, "primary consideration" means that an
34 assessment and services must commence within 72 hours after
35 referral to the department or as established in accordance with
36 department contracts by local protocols developed between
37 department service providers and the adult protective services
38 program.

39 (b) The department shall determine an order of
40 prioritization for all other functionally impaired elderly
41 persons seeking community-care-for-the-elderly services that is
42 based upon the potential recipient's frailty level and
43 likelihood of institutional placement without such services.
44 After determining such frailty level and likelihood of
45 institutional placement, should the list of potential recipients
46 require further prioritization, another factor that must be
47 considered is the potential recipient's ability to pay for such
48 services. Those who are less able to pay for such services must
49 receive higher priority than those who are better able to pay
50 for such services. A potential recipient's ability to pay may be
51 determined by the department based on the potential recipient's
52 self-declared statement of income and expenses.

53 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2003.