

By the Committees on Judiciary; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Senators Jones and Lynn

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A bill to be entitled  
An act relating to multiservice senior centers;  
amending s. 430.203, F.S.; amending a  
definition; amending s. 403.206, F.S.;  
encouraging each multiservice senior center to  
have a functioning automated external  
defibrillator; requiring training, maintenance,  
and location registration; providing immunity  
from liability under the Good Samaritan Act and  
the Cardiac Arrest Survival Act; authorizing  
the Department of Elderly Affairs to adopt  
rules; requiring the department to arrange for  
purchase of such defibrillators; requiring  
certain entities to reimburse the department  
for purchased defibrillators under certain  
circumstances; providing criteria for  
distribution of such defibrillators; providing  
an appropriation; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Subsection (10) of section 430.203, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

430.203 Community care for the elderly;  
definitions.--As used in ss. 430.201-430.207, the term:

(10) "Multiservice senior center" means a community facility for the organization and provision of a broad spectrum of that serves as the focal point for housing and delivering services, which shall include provision of health, including mental health, social, nutritional, and education

1 services, and the provision of facilities for recreational  
2 activities for to persons 60 years of age or older.

3 Section 2. Subsection (3) is added to section 430.206,  
4 Florida Statutes, to read:

5 430.206 Multiservice senior center.--

6 (3)(a) Each multiservice senior center is encouraged  
7 to have on the premises at all times a functioning automated  
8 external defibrillator.

9 (b) Multiservice senior centers that provide automated  
10 external defibrillators shall ensure that personnel are  
11 properly trained in accordance with s. 401.2915.

12 (c) The location of each automated external  
13 defibrillator shall be registered with a local emergency  
14 medical services medical director.

15 (d) The use of automated external defibrillators by  
16 employees and volunteers shall be covered under the provisions  
17 of ss. 768.13 and 768.1325.

18 (e) The department may adopt rules to implement the  
19 provisions of this section.

20 Section 3. The sum of \$270,000 is appropriated from  
21 the General Revenue Fund to the Department of Elderly Affairs  
22 for the purpose of implementing this act during the 2004-2005  
23 fiscal year. The department shall arrange for the purchase of  
24 as many automated external defibrillators as may be purchased  
25 with available funds. Senior centers shall reimburse the  
26 department for 50 percent of the cost of the automated  
27 external defibrillator provided to their facility.

28 Multiservice senior centers located in rural communities, as  
29 defined in section 288.0656(2)(b), Florida Statutes, shall not  
30 be required to reimburse the department for the costs of such  
31 equipment. The department shall authorize issuance of the

1 equipment to senior centers in the order in which they request  
2 one and shall provide authorization for only one to each  
3 multiservice center pursuant to this section.

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

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7 STATEMENT OF SUBSTANTIAL CHANGES CONTAINED IN  
8 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR  
9 CS Senate Bill 1748

10 The Committee Substitute for Committee Substitute for SB 1748  
11 differs as follows from the underlying committee substitute:

- 12 - Clarifies that the location of an automated external  
13 defibrillator must be registered with a local emergency  
14 medical services medical director; and
- 15 - Takes effect upon becoming a law.