

CHAMBER ACTION

1 The Committee on Health Care recommends the following:

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3 **Committee Substitute**

4 Remove the entire bill and insert:

5 A bill to be entitled

6 An act relating to automated external defibrillators;  
7 amending s. 401.2915, F.S.; revising legislative intent  
8 with respect to the use of an automated external  
9 defibrillator; classifying an automated external  
10 defibrillator as a lifesaving defibrillation device;  
11 defining a related term; providing an effective date.

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

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15 Section 1. Section 401.2915, Florida Statutes, is amended  
16 to read:

17 401.2915 Automated external defibrillators.--It is the  
18 intent of the Legislature that an automated external  
19 defibrillator may be used by any person for the purpose of  
20 saving the life of another person in cardiac arrest. In order to  
21 achieve that goal, the Legislature intends to encourage training  
22 in lifesaving first aid, set standards for the use of automated  
23 external defibrillators, and encourage their use.

24           (1) As used in this section, the term:  
 25           (a) "Automated external defibrillator" means a lifesaving  
 26 defibrillation device that:  
 27           1. Is commercially distributed as a defibrillation  
 28 device in accordance with the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic  
 29 Act;  
 30           2. Is capable of recognizing the presence or absence  
 31 of ventricular fibrillation and is capable of determining,  
 32 without intervention by the user of the device, if  
 33 defibrillation should be performed; and  
 34           3. Is capable of delivering an electrical shock to an  
 35 individual upon determining that defibrillation should be  
 36 performed.  
 37           (b) "Defibrillation" means the administration of a  
 38 controlled electrical charge to the heart to restore a viable  
 39 cardiac rhythm.  
 40           (2) In order to ensure public health and safety:  
 41           (a)~~(1)~~ All persons who use an automated external  
 42 defibrillator must obtain appropriate training, to include  
 43 completion of a course in cardiopulmonary resuscitation or  
 44 successful completion of a basic first aid course that includes  
 45 cardiopulmonary resuscitation training, and demonstrated  
 46 proficiency in the use of an automated external defibrillator;  
 47           (b)~~(2)~~ Any person or entity in possession of an automated  
 48 external defibrillator is encouraged to register with the local  
 49 emergency medical services medical director the existence and  
 50 location of the automated external defibrillator; and

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51            ~~(c)(3)~~ Any person who uses an automated external  
52 defibrillator shall ~~is required to~~ activate the emergency  
53 medical services system as soon as possible upon use of the  
54 automated external defibrillator.

55            Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.