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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to caregivers for adults;  
creating the Seniors Offering Services program  
within the Department of Elderly Affairs;  
providing purposes; providing an effective  
date.

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

Section 1. Seniors Offering Services program.--Seniors  
Offering Services is created as an independent, not-for-profit  
corporation within the Department of Elderly Affairs. The  
purpose of the program is:

(1) To foster the development of training and  
employment opportunities for economically disadvantaged  
workers 55 years of age and older which are critical to the  
provision of community-based and institutional care for frail  
and vulnerable adults who live in the community.

(2) To assist in meeting the growing demand for  
in-home, companion-care services and prevent costly premature  
institutional placement.

(3) To become a direct referral resource for the  
department.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005.