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A bill to be entitled
 An act relating to multiservice senior centers; creating
 s. 430.901, F.S.; providing a definition and purposes of a
 "multiservice senior center"; renumbering and amending s.
 430.206, F.S.; providing for certain accreditation;
 amending s. 430.203, F.S.; repealing a definition of
 "multiservice senior center," to conform; amending s.
 430.205, F.S.; providing that activities of a community
 care service area may be directed from a multiservice
 senior center as defined in s. 430.901, F.S.; providing an
 effective date.

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

Section 1. Section 430.901, Florida Statutes, is created
 to read:

430.901 Multiservice senior center; definition;
purpose.--A "multiservice senior center" is:

(1) A community facility that is a highly visible focal
point for the organization and provision of a broad spectrum of
services suited to the diverse needs and interests of
independent older persons, which may include nutritional meals;
health, mental health, social, wellness, respite care, and
education services; and recreational activities.

(2) An entity that may partner with an aging resource
center to provide for easier access to long-term care services
by seniors and their families who reside within the local
community.

29 (3) A setting that provides opportunities that enable
 30 participants to stay connected to their communities and their
 31 support networks.

32 (4) Designed to offer preventive screenings, activities,
 33 and services that may divert seniors from more extensive in-home
 34 services and help reduce, delay, or prevent premature
 35 institutionalization.

36 (5) Designed for ease of access and use by seniors with
 37 varying levels of physical abilities.

38 Section 2. Section 430.206, Florida Statutes, is
 39 renumbered as section 430.902, Florida Statutes, and amended to
 40 read:

41 430.902 ~~430.206~~ Multiservice senior center.--

42 (1) If practicable, multiservice senior center services
 43 shall be available to functionally impaired elderly persons.

44 (2) If feasible, a multiservice senior center should ~~must~~
 45 be centrally located and easily accessible to public
 46 transportation. Provision may be made for transporting persons
 47 to the center. A center shall be designed to provide ease of
 48 access and use, considering the infirmities of elderly persons.

49 (3)(a) Each multiservice senior center is encouraged to
 50 have on the premises at all times a functioning automated
 51 external defibrillator.

52 (b) Multiservice senior centers that provide automated
 53 external defibrillators shall ensure that personnel are properly
 54 trained in accordance with s. 401.2915.

55 (c) The location of each automated external defibrillator
56 shall be registered with a local emergency medical services
57 medical director.

58 (d) The use of automated external defibrillators by
59 employees and volunteers shall be covered under the provisions
60 of ss. 768.13 and 768.1325.

61 (4)~~(e)~~ The department may adopt rules to implement the
62 provisions of this section.

63 (5) Multiservice senior centers are encouraged to seek
64 national accreditation by the National Institute of Senior
65 Centers.

66 Section 3. Subsections (11), (12), and (13) of section
67 430.203, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (10),
68 (11), and (12), respectively, and subsection (10) of said
69 section is amended to read:

70 430.203 Community care for the elderly; definitions.--As
71 used in ss. 430.201-430.207, the term:

72 ~~(10) "Multiservice senior center" means a community~~
73 ~~facility for the organization and provision of a broad spectrum~~
74 ~~of services, which shall include provision of health, including~~
75 ~~mental health, social, nutritional, and education services, and~~
76 ~~the provision of facilities for recreational activities for~~
77 ~~persons 60 years of age or older.~~

78 Section 4. Subsection (2) of section 430.205, Florida
79 Statutes, is amended to read:

80 430.205 Community care service system.--

81 (2) Core services and other support services may be
82 furnished by public or private agencies or organizations. Each

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83 | community care service system must be under the direction of a
84 | lead agency that coordinates the activities of individual
85 | contracting agencies providing community-care-for-the-elderly
86 | services. When practicable, the activities of a community care
87 | service area may ~~must~~ be directed from a multiservice senior
88 | center, as defined in s. 430.901, and coordinated with other
89 | services offered therein. This subsection does not require
90 | programs in existence prior to the effective date of this act to
91 | be relocated.

92 | Section 5. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005.