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CHAMBER ACTION

1 The Elder & Long-Term Care Committee recommends the following:

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3 **Council/Committee Substitute**

4 Remove the entire bill and insert:

5 A bill to be entitled

6 An act relating to multiservice senior centers; creating  
7 s. 430.901, F.S.; providing a definition and purposes of a  
8 "multiservice senior center"; renumbering and amending s.  
9 430.206, F.S.; providing for centers to be centrally  
10 located and accessible; encouraging centers to seek  
11 certain accreditation; amending s. 430.203, F.S.;  
12 repealing a definition of "multiservice senior center," to  
13 conform; amending s. 430.205, F.S.; providing that  
14 activities of a community care service area may be  
15 directed from a multiservice senior center as defined in  
16 s. 430.901, F.S.; providing an effective date.

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

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

22 430.901 Multiservice senior center; definition;  
23 purpose.--A "multiservice senior center" is:

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

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

34       (3) A setting that provides opportunities that enable  
 35 participants to stay connected to their communities and their  
 36 support networks.

37       (4) Designed to offer preventive screenings, activities,  
 38 and services that may divert seniors from more extensive in-home  
 39 services and help reduce, delay, or prevent premature  
 40 institutionalization.

41       Section 2. Section 430.206, Florida Statutes, is  
 42 renumbered as section 430.902, Florida Statutes, and amended to  
 43 read:

44       430.902 ~~430.206~~ Multiservice senior center.--

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

47       (2) If feasible, a multiservice senior center should ~~must~~  
 48 be centrally located and easily accessible to public  
 49 transportation. Provision may be made for transporting persons  
 50 to the center. A center shall be designed to provide ease of

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51 | access and use by seniors with varying levels of physical  
52 | abilities, ~~considering the infirmities of elderly persons.~~

53 | (3)(a) Each multiservice senior center is encouraged to  
54 | have on the premises at all times a functioning automated  
55 | external defibrillator.

56 | (b) Multiservice senior centers that provide automated  
57 | external defibrillators shall ensure that personnel are properly  
58 | trained in accordance with s. 401.2915.

59 | (c) The location of each automated external defibrillator  
60 | shall be registered with a local emergency medical services  
61 | medical director.

62 | (d) The use of automated external defibrillators by  
63 | employees and volunteers shall be covered under the provisions  
64 | of ss. 768.13 and 768.1325.

65 | (4)(e) The department may adopt rules to implement the  
66 | provisions of this section.

67 | (5) Multiservice senior centers are encouraged to seek  
68 | national accreditation by the National Institute of Senior  
69 | Centers.

70 | Section 3. Subsections (11), (12), and (13) of section  
71 | 430.203, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (10),  
72 | (11), and (12), respectively, and present subsection (10) of  
73 | said section is amended to read:

74 | 430.203 Community care for the elderly; definitions.--As  
75 | used in ss. 430.201-430.207, the term:

76 | ~~(10) "Multiservice senior center" means a community~~  
77 | ~~facility for the organization and provision of a broad spectrum~~  
78 | ~~of services, which shall include provision of health, including~~

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79 | ~~mental health, social, nutritional, and education services, and~~  
80 | ~~the provision of facilities for recreational activities for~~  
81 | ~~persons 60 years of age or older.~~

82 |       Section 4. Subsection (2) of section 430.205, Florida  
83 | Statutes, is amended to read:

84 |       430.205 Community care service system.--

85 |       (2) Core services and other support services may be  
86 | furnished by public or private agencies or organizations. Each  
87 | community care service system must be under the direction of a  
88 | lead agency that coordinates the activities of individual  
89 | contracting agencies providing community-care-for-the-elderly  
90 | services. When practicable, the activities of a community care  
91 | service area may ~~must~~ be directed from a multiservice senior  
92 | center, as defined in s. 430.901, and coordinated with other  
93 | services offered therein. This subsection does not require  
94 | programs in existence prior to the effective date of this act to  
95 | be relocated.

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