

By Senator Constantine

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1 A bill to be entitled

2 An act relating to automated external defibrillators;
3 amending s. 401.2915, F.S.; revising provisions relating
4 to the maintenance of and training requirements for the
5 use of automated external defibrillators; revising
6 provisions encouraging notice to the local emergency
7 medical services medical director; providing an effective
8 date.

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

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12 Section 1. Subsection (2) of section 401.2915, Florida
13 Statutes, is amended to read:

14 401.2915 Automated external defibrillators.--It is the
15 intent of the Legislature that an automated external
16 defibrillator may be used by any person for the purpose of saving
17 the life of another person in cardiac arrest. In order to achieve
18 that goal, the Legislature intends to encourage training in
19 lifesaving first aid and set standards for and encourage the use
20 of automated external defibrillators.

21 (2) In order to ensure public health and safety:

22 (a) Any person or entity in possession of an automated
23 external defibrillator shall:

24 1. Properly maintain and test the device.

25 2. Provide training in cardiopulmonary resuscitation and
26 automated external defibrillator proficiency from the American
27 Heart Association or the American Red Cross, or a substantially
28 similar program from another provider, to any of its employees or
29 agents who are reasonably expected to be potential operators of

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30 ~~the defibrillator. All persons who use an automated external~~
31 ~~defibrillator must obtain appropriate training, to include~~
32 ~~completion of a course in cardiopulmonary resuscitation or~~
33 ~~successful completion of a basic first aid course that includes~~
34 ~~cardiopulmonary resuscitation training, and demonstrated~~
35 ~~proficiency in the use of an automated external defibrillator.~~

36 (b) Any person or entity in possession of an automated
37 external defibrillator is encouraged to notify ~~register with~~ the
38 local emergency medical services medical director of the
39 ~~existence and~~ location of the automated external defibrillator.

40 (c) Any person who uses an automated external defibrillator
41 shall activate the emergency medical services system as soon as
42 possible upon use of the automated external defibrillator.

43 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008.