

Amendment No.

CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

House

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1 Representative Steinberg offered the following:

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3 **Amendment (with title amendment)**

4 Between lines 16 and 17, insert:

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6 Section 1. Section 401.2915, Florida Statutes, is amended
7 to read:

8 401.2915 Automated external defibrillators.—It is the
9 intent of the Legislature that an automated external
10 defibrillator may be used by any person for the purpose of
11 saving the life of another person in cardiac arrest. In order to
12 achieve that goal, the Legislature intends to encourage training
13 in lifesaving first aid and set standards for and encourage the
14 use of automated external defibrillators.

15 (1) As used in this section, the term:

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16 (a) "Automated external defibrillator" means a device as
17 defined in s. 768.1325(2) (b).

18 (b) "Defibrillation" means the administration of a
19 controlled electrical charge to the heart to restore a viable
20 cardiac rhythm.

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

22 (a) All persons who use an automated external
23 defibrillator are encouraged to obtain appropriate training, to
24 include completion of a course in cardiopulmonary resuscitation
25 or successful completion of a basic first aid course that
26 includes cardiopulmonary resuscitation training, and
27 demonstrated proficiency in the use of an automated external
28 defibrillator.

29 (b) Any person or entity in possession of an automated
30 external defibrillator is encouraged to notify the local
31 emergency medical services medical director of the location of
32 the automated external defibrillator. The owner, operator, or
33 administrator responsible for a place of public assembly, as
34 defined in s. 768.1326, shall notify the local emergency medical
35 services medical director of the location of the automated
36 external defibrillator. The state agency responsible for a
37 building or portion of a building owned or leased by the state
38 shall notify the local emergency medical services medical
39 director of the location of the automated external
40 defibrillator. The local emergency medical services medical
41 director shall maintain a registry of these automated external
42 defibrillator locations.

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43 (c) Any person who uses an automated external
44 defibrillator shall activate the emergency medical services
45 system as soon as possible upon use of the automated external
46 defibrillator.

47 (3) Any person who intentionally or willfully:

48 (a) Tamper with or otherwise renders an automated
49 external defibrillator inoperative, except during such time as
50 the automated external defibrillator is being serviced, tested,
51 repaired, recharged, or inspected or except pursuant to court
52 order; or

53 (b) Obliterates the serial number on an automated external
54 defibrillator for purposes of falsifying service records,
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56 commits a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as
57 provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083. Paragraph (a) does not
58 apply to the owner of the automated external defibrillator or
59 the owner's authorized representative or agent.

60 (4) Each local and state law enforcement vehicle may carry
61 an automated external defibrillator.

62 Section 2. Section 768.1326, Florida Statutes, is amended
63 to read:

64 768.1326 Placement of automated external defibrillators in
65 state buildings and places of public assembly; rulemaking
66 authority.—

67 (1) ~~No later than January 1, 2003,~~ The State Surgeon
68 General shall adopt rules to establish guidelines on the
69 appropriate placement of automated external defibrillator
70 devices in buildings or portions of buildings owned or leased by
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71 the state and in places of public assembly, and shall establish,
72 by rule, recommendations on procedures for the deployment of
73 automated external defibrillator devices in such buildings and
74 places of public assembly in accordance with the guidelines. The
75 Secretary of Management Services shall assist the State Surgeon
76 General in the development of the guidelines. The guidelines for
77 the placement of the automated external defibrillators shall
78 take into account the typical number of employees and visitors
79 in the building or place of public assembly ~~buildings~~, the
80 extent of the need for security measures regarding the building
81 or place of public assembly ~~buildings~~, special circumstances in
82 the building or a portion of the building ~~buildings or portions~~
83 ~~of buildings~~ such as high electrical voltages or extreme heat or
84 cold, and such other factors as the State Surgeon General and
85 Secretary of Management Services determine to be appropriate.
86 For purposes of this section, the term "place of public
87 assembly" means a location with a seating capacity of at least
88 1,000 people and includes, but is not limited to, any stadium,
89 ballpark, gymnasium, field house, arena, civic center, or
90 similar facility used for the conduct of sporting events and any
91 concert hall, recital hall, theater, indoor or outdoor
92 amphitheatre, or other auditorium used for the presentation of
93 musical performances or concerts. The term does not include any
94 church, synagogue, or other not-for-profit religious
95 organization or any public association or public library. The
96 State Surgeon General's recommendations for deployment of
97 automated external defibrillators in buildings or portions of

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98 buildings owned or leased by the state or in places of public
99 assembly shall include:

100 (a)-(1) A reference list of appropriate training courses in
101 the use of such devices, including the role of cardiopulmonary
102 resuscitation;

103 (b)-(2) The extent to which such devices may be used by
104 laypersons;

105 (c)-(3) Manufacturer recommended maintenance and testing of
106 the devices; and

107 (d)-(4) Coordination with local emergency medical services
108 systems regarding registration of automated external
109 defibrillators and documentation of the incidents of use of the
110 devices.

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112 In formulating these guidelines and recommendations, the State
113 Surgeon General may consult with all appropriate public and
114 private entities, including national and local public health
115 organizations that seek to improve the survival rates of
116 individuals who experience cardiac arrest.

117 (2) This section may not be construed to:

118 (a) Prohibit a county or municipal government from
119 enacting, implementing, and enforcing any local ordinance that
120 expands the requirements of this section for the placement of
121 automated external defibrillators in a place of public assembly;
122 or

123 (b) Mandate the placement of any automated external
124 defibrillator in any place of public assembly.

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T I T L E A M E N D M E N T

Remove lines 2-3 and insert:

An act relating to automated external defibrillators;
amending s. 401.2915, F.S.; requiring certain entities to
notify local emergency services medical directors of the
locations of automated external defibrillators; requiring
local emergency medical services medical directors to
maintain registries of certain automated external
defibrillator locations; amending s. 768.1326, F.S.;
directing the State Surgeon General, with the assistance
of the Department of Management Services, to adopt rules
to establish guidelines for the appropriate placement and
deployment of automated external defibrillators in places
of public assembly; providing a definition; providing
exceptions; providing for construction; amending s.
429.255, F.S.;