

House Bill No. 1865

An act relating to the Department of Elderly Affairs; amending s. 430.071, F.S.; revising the definition of “stipend” applicable to respite care volunteers; amending ss. 430.204 and 430.205, F.S.; requiring the department to fund certain community care and core services for the elderly; amending s. 430.502, F.S.; establishing a memory disorder clinic at a specified location; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section 430.071, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

430.071 Respite for elders living in everyday families.—

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

(c) “Stipend” means an allotment of funds to enable a diverse population of volunteers to provide services. The allotment of funds is for a maximum hourly rate that shall not exceed an amount equal to the federal minimum wage period of service and is not an hourly wage.

Section 2. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 430.204, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

430.204 Community-care-for-the-elderly core services; departmental powers and duties.—

(1)

(b) ~~For fiscal year 2003-2004 only,~~ The department shall fund, through each area agency on aging in each county as defined in s. 125.011(1), more than one community care service system the primary purpose of which is the prevention of unnecessary institutionalization of functionally impaired elderly persons through the provision of community-based core services. ~~This paragraph expires July 1, 2004.~~

Section 3. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 430.205, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

430.205 Community care service system.—

(1)

(b) ~~For fiscal year 2003-2004 only,~~ The department shall fund, through the area agency on aging in each county as defined in s. 125.011(1), more than one community care service system that provides case management and other in-home and community services as needed to help elderly persons maintain independence and prevent or delay more costly institutional care. ~~This paragraph expires July 1, 2004.~~

Section 4. Paragraphs (j) and (k) of subsection (1) of section 430.502, Florida Statutes, are amended, and paragraph (l) is added to said subsection, to read:

430.502 Alzheimer's disease; memory disorder clinics and day care and respite care programs.—

(1) There is established:

(j) A memory disorder clinic at Lee Memorial Hospital created by chapter 63-1552, Laws of Florida, as amended; ~~and~~

(k) A memory disorder clinic at Sarasota Memorial Hospital in Sarasota County; ~~and~~,

(l) A memory disorder clinic at Morton Plant Hospital in Pinellas County

for the purpose of conducting research and training in a diagnostic and therapeutic setting for persons suffering from Alzheimer's disease and related memory disorders. However, memory disorder clinics funded as of June 30, 1995, shall not receive decreased funding due solely to subsequent additions of memory disorder clinics in this subsection.

Section 5. This act shall take effect July 1, 2004.

Approved by the Governor May 25, 2004.

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