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LEGISLATIVE ACTION .

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Appropriations Subcommittee on Education (Stargel) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment

Delete lines 48 - 80

and insert:

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(1) As used in this section, the term "competitive and integrated employment" means employment in the public or private sector in which the employee earns comparable wages and benefits, commensurate with his or her qualifications and experience, and works in comparable conditions to those 10 experienced by the general workforce in that industry or

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12 (2) The program shall to provide personal care attendants 13 and other support and services necessary to enable to persons eligible under subsection (3) who have significant severe and 14 chronic disabilities to obtain or maintain competitive and 15 16 integrated employment, including self-employment of all kinds 17 and who are eligible under subsection (1). Effective July 1, 18 2008, the Florida Association of Centers for Independent Living shall receive 12 percent of the funds paid to or on behalf of 19 20 participants from funds to be deposited with the Florida 21 Endowment Foundation for Vocational Rehabilitation pursuant to 22 ss. 320.08068(4)(d) and 413.4021(1) to administer the program. 23 For the purpose of ensuring continuity of services, a memorandum 24 of understanding shall be executed between the parties to cover 25 the period between July 1, 2008, and the execution of the final 26 agreement. 27

27 <u>(3) (1)</u> In order to be eligible to participate in the 28 program, a person must:

(a) Be at least 18 years of age, be a legal resident of this state, and be significantly and chronically disabled. $\dot{\cdot}$

31 (b) <u>As determined by a physician, psychologist, or</u> 32 <u>psychiatrist,</u> require a personal care attendant for assistance 33 with or support for at least two activities of daily living as 34 defined in s. 429.02<u>.</u>, as determined by a physician, 35 psychologist, or psychiatrist;

36 (c) Require a personal care attendant <u>and, as needed, other</u> 37 <u>support and services</u> <u>in order</u> to accept <u>an offer of employment</u> 38 <u>and commence working or to a job or maintain competitive and</u> 39 <u>integrated</u>