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## LEGISLATIVE ACTION Senate House Comm: RCS 03/31/2021

The Committee on Health Policy (Jones) recommended the following:

## Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

Section 1. Present subsections (16) through (28) of section 429.02, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as subsections (17) through (29), respectively, a new subsection (16) is added to that section, and subsection (12) is amended, to read:

429.02 Definitions.-When used in this part, the term:

(12) "Extended congregate care" means acts beyond those

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authorized in subsection (19)  $\frac{(18)}{(18)}$  which may be performed pursuant to part I of chapter 464 by persons licensed thereunder while carrying out their professional duties, and other supportive services that may be specified by rule. The purpose of such services is to enable residents to age in place in a residential environment despite mental or physical limitations that might otherwise disqualify them from residency in a facility licensed under this part.

(16) "Medication technician" means an unlicensed staff member who has completed 6 hours of training. A medication technician may provide assistance with a resident's selfadministration of medications and with his or her use of pointof-care devices.

Section 2. Subsection (6) of section 429.52, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

429.52 Staff training and educational requirements.-

(6) Medication technicians shall Staff assisting with the self-administration of medications under s. 429.256 must complete a minimum of 6 additional hours of training provided by a registered nurse or a licensed pharmacist before providing assistance. Two hours of continuing education are required annually thereafter. The agency shall establish by rule the minimum requirements of medication technician this training, which must address infection control, safe handling and use of point-of-care devices, communicating with case managers and health care providers, standard of care protocols for the provision of care in a licensed assisted living facility, identification of nursing standards, and methods of assisting residents with the self-administration of medications.



40	Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2021.
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42	========= T I T L E A M E N D M E N T ==========
43	And the title is amended as follows:
44	Delete everything before the enacting clause
45	and insert:
46	A bill to be entitled
47	An act relating to medication technicians; amending s.
48	429.02, F.S.; defining the term "medication
49	technician"; amending s. 429.52, F.S.; providing
50	minimum requirements and specifications for training
51	of medication technicians; providing an effective
52	date.