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Tab 3	SB 890 by Burgess; (Similar to H 00593) Telecommunicator Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation				
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COMMITTEE MEETING EXPANDED AGENDA
 APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND
 HUMAN SERVICES
 Senator Bean, Chair
 Senator Rodriguez, Vice Chair

MEETING DATE: Wednesday, January 26, 2022
TIME: 1:00—3:00 p.m.
PLACE: Pat Thomas Committee Room, 412 Knott Building

MEMBERS: Senator Bean, Chair; Senator Rodriguez, Vice Chair; Senators Book, Brodeur, Burgess, Diaz, Farmer, Harrell, Jones, Rodrigues, and Rouson

TAB	BILL NO. and INTRODUCER	BILL DESCRIPTION and SENATE COMMITTEE ACTIONS	COMMITTEE ACTION
1	Panel Discussion on Nursing Shortages and Potential Solutions Independent Colleges and Universities of Florida State University System/Board of Governors Florida College System Florida Hospital Association		Discussed
2	SB 806 Perry (Compare CS/H 475)	Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia-related Disorders Awareness; Creating the "Ramping up Education of Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia for You (READY) Act"; requiring the Department of Health, in collaboration with the Department of Elderly Affairs and the Alzheimer's Association, to develop and disseminate information relating to Alzheimer's disease and dementia-related disorders to certain health care practitioners for a specified purpose; requiring the department to encourage health care providers to display the information in their facilities and discuss specified information with patients 60 years of age or older; authorizing the department to fund certain mobile and virtual outreach programs under certain circumstances, etc. HP 01/13/2022 Favorable AHS 01/26/2022 Fav/CS AP	Fav/CS Yeas 11 Nays 0
3	SB 890 Burgess (Similar H 593)	Telecommunicator Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation; Requiring certain 911 public safety telecommunicators to receive ongoing telecommunicator cardiopulmonary resuscitation training; authorizing public safety agencies and certain other agencies to enter into reciprocal agreements to provide telecommunicator cardiopulmonary resuscitation under certain circumstances; providing requirements for certain employees who answer emergency medical service calls, etc. HP 01/13/2022 Favorable AHS 01/26/2022 Favorable AP	Favorable Yeas 11 Nays 0

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This document was distributed to the committee at the request of Belinda Keiser, Vice Chancellor, Keiser College

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Support for Florida's private college students contributes to state's economic success | Opinion

Belinda Keiser Your Turn

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Students should have the freedom to choose the education best suited to their needs. Attending an institution which allows them to manage their responsibilities and priorities has proven essential in completing their education and to their future job success.

For decades, Florida has kept its best and brightest students in Florida thanks to the EASE Grant, an access grant provided to Florida resident students who choose to attend one of the 30 private, not-for-profit Independent Colleges and Universities of Florida (ICUF).

For Florida, talent remains the currency for workforce development and a prosperous economy. As our state keeps growing and continues grappling with the impact of COVID, ensuring Florida students are prepared to fill critical jobs is the key to recovery and continued economic development.

Keiser University and the other ICUF schools have a proven track record of success and have been vital to Florida's economic growth for approximately 100 years. In service to Florida and the companies that call it home, these schools are leaders in providing the critical workforce talent vital to our economy.

This commitment was never more evident than during the COVID pandemic. Throughout the pandemic, Keiser University students and alumni, along with other ICUF schools, have been actively involved in the battle against COVID.

Since the start of the pandemic, Keiser University students and graduates in most major Florida communities joined those from Saint Leo University, Barry University, the University of Miami, and others on the front lines of recovery to address the needs of Floridians by providing testing, vaccinations, counseling, telemedicine, and other critical services.

Meeting employers' needs

A recent report by the Florida Hospital Association and the Safety Net Hospital Alliance of Florida projects our state will face a shortfall of approximately 60,000 nurses by 2035.

ICUF schools are working diligently with state leaders and hospital systems throughout Florida to address this shortfall. Seventeen ICUF schools, many with multiple campuses, offer nursing degrees and are responsible for producing half of the state's graduate level nurses.

Keiser University was the No. 1 producer of nurses in Florida who passed the NCLEX in 2020, and, along with several other independent universities, is filling critical employment needs for hospitals and healthcare providers throughout the state.

ICUF schools are also well known for their innovation and use of technology that is driving Florida's economy forward. ICUF schools produce some of the state's best talent in aerospace and engineering, informational technology, research and development, and STEM advancements. As the needs of Florida's employers grow, ICUF graduates continue to step up to meet these challenges.

More than 50% of ICUF undergraduates are from minority populations and many come from economically challenged backgrounds. Many work fulltime while pursuing their college degrees. Keiser University was recently recognized for this long-standing commitment to helping students attain careers when it was named No. 1 in Social Mobility in Florida and Number 5 in the nation, by U.S. News and World Report.

The Florida Chamber of Commerce has referenced the importance of a highly skilled labor force as one of the factors that will continue to drive the state's economic future. Considering that ICUF schools award 20% of all bachelor's degrees in Florida, the EASE grant remains crucial to the development of our state's economic success.

ICUF schools, and our graduates, have proven their steadfast commitment to Florida. These students stay in Florida and become contributing members of their communities and our growing economy.

Please, continue to support ICUF students by supporting the EASE Grant, and encourage your legislators to continue funding this essential program.

Belinda Keiser is vice chancellor of Keiser University and board member of Enterprise Florida.

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Guest opinion: The solution to a labor shortage is more workers

Bob Boyd Special to The News-Press

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The evidence is everywhere. Hiring! Apply now! \$5,000 Signing Bonus! Across all sectors of Florida's economy, workers are in high demand. Florida's independent colleges and universities, with the support of the EASE voucher, can help fulfill that need.

Florida's independent colleges and universities are market-driven, meaning they respond to the needs of our economy. These higher education institutions are engines of opportunity. They give students the skills, education and experience they need to fulfill the jobs we have available.

Students in Florida are able to attend independent colleges and universities with the help of the EASE voucher. EASE stands for Effective Access to Student Education, and this voucher gives students access to earn a degree and the option to choose the school that is right for them.

EASE is a voucher funded by our state Legislature. Students who live in Florida and qualify for EASE vouchers receive \$2,841 per year from the state to help them pay tuition. This is a great investment that has been reaping benefits to our state for more than four decades.

Since the program was established in 1979, hundreds of thousands of Floridians have earned their degrees, launched their careers and powered our state's economy forward, all with the help of EASE.

In addition, the state's investment in EASE vouchers has a rippling effect on our state's broader economy. According to a recent economic impact study finalized by Regional Economic Consulting Group this year, EASE creates more than 21,000 jobs per year, generates \$282 million in tax revenue and contributes \$3.5 billion in annual economic impact. In simple terms, for every dollar the state spends on EASE, Floridians get 2.5 times the return.

EASE is important to our economy and our workforce. Now more than ever -- with a dire shortage of workers to fill the jobs advertised from nurses to teachers, to engineers and more -- we need more graduates to enter the workforce.

Currently, 158,000 students across Florida are enrolled in independent colleges and universities. More than 46,000 of them depend on Florida's EASE voucher to help them pay tuition.

The Florida Legislature this session, however, may consider cuts to the EASE voucher program that could derail these students' pursuit of a degree and tighten the bottleneck of graduates preparing to enter the workforce in the years ahead.

Without the EASE voucher, a student's college career could come to a screeching halt, leaving them without a degree and without the opportunity to launch a career and provide for their families. Importantly, this measure could clog our state's workforce-in-training. These students and future graduates are essential to our workforce and our economy.

Consider nursing, for example. According to the Florida Hospital Association, 70% of hospitals in Florida are currently experiencing critical staffing shortages. This is a problem nationwide. According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, we will need an additional 1.1 million nurses to meet demands by 2022. By 2025, the nursing shortage will be a real crisis.

One-quarter of Florida's nursing degrees come from Florida's independent, nonprofit higher education schools. Last year, these institutions produced 3,600 nursing degrees, ranging from associate's degrees through doctoral. These registered nurses and nurse practitioners are ready for the workforce. Some of them are professors ready to teach the generations of nurses that follow.

As market-driven higher education institutions, the independent colleges and universities of Florida can produce more nursing degrees to meet the demand and avert a crisis.

Florida's nonprofit, independent colleges and universities are a solution to our state's labor shortage. More degrees will produce more workers to support all sectors of our economy. But all this is not possible without the EASE voucher.

To fulfill our state's workforce needs, the Florida Legislature must maintain and fully fund the EASE program. Students depend on the EASE voucher to help pay tuition, and we need their help to keep our economy moving forward.

Bob Boyd is the President & CEO of the Independent Colleges and Universities of Florida, an association representing 22 SACSCS-accredited, nonprofit institutions that offer more than 100

campuses in Florida where students can earn certificates, associate's degrees, bachelor's degrees and graduate degrees.



ICUF'S ECONOMIC IMPACT



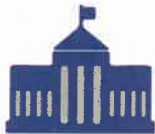
ICUF'S TOTAL FISCAL IMPACT TO FLORIDA



PRODUCES 100,900 JOBS FOR FLORIDA



TOTAL ECONOMIC IMPACT TO FLORIDA IS \$15.7 BILLION



30 INSTITUTIONS CONTRIBUTE \$1.2 BILLION TO STATE & LOCAL TAXES



EVERY GRADUATING CLASS ADDS \$21 BILLION TO THE ECONOMY OF FLORIDA

over the next 30 years based on 30 years of lifetime earnings for graduates that stay in Florida.

The above leads to



\$7.2 BILLION IN STATE & LOCAL TAXES OVER 30 YEARS

WHAT IS EASE?

EASE is a voucher for Florida students that provides tuition assistance to students who attend independent, nonprofit colleges, no matter where in Florida they choose to go. Currently, 46,000 Florida students at ICUF schools benefit from the EASE voucher.

EASE AWARD IS CURRENTLY \$2,841/STUDENT

ICUF'S TOTAL FISCAL IMPACT TO FLORIDA FROM EASE

* For the 2019-2020 academic year

EASE created

21,934 JOBS

EASE had a

\$3.5 BILLION ECONOMIC IMPACT on Florida

EASE created

\$282 MILLION IN STATE & LOCAL TAXES

Each EASE student had a

\$88,000 ECONOMIC RETURN

EASE ROI

For every \$1 the state spends on an EASE student, it gets back \$2.5.



ABOUT ICUF

The Independent Colleges & Universities of Florida (ICUF) is a diverse association of 30 private educational institutions. ICUF institutions are non-profits, Florida-based and accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges & Schools Commission on Colleges. These colleges and universities are diverse in their students, campuses and missions, offering a wide range of undergraduate, graduate, first-professional and continuing education programs. **With enrollments ranging from 400-21,000, we serve 159,000 students at 200 sites around Florida, including main campuses, branch sites in communities and state colleges.**

WHAT WE DO

Established in 1965, ICUF is the collective voice of Florida's private non-profit colleges and universities. ICUF is a 501(c)(6) association incorporated in the state of Florida.

The association performs four important functions that benefit students, families, public policy leaders, businesses, and Florida communities:

- Public policy advocacy to support post-secondary education and ICUF's member institutions. In particular, ICUF's advocacy work is focused on student aid, access, diversity, and economic development.
- Research about the performance and contributions of independent college and universities in Florida.
- Public information to support students and their families as they make choices about post-secondary education.
- Development of partnerships, such as group purchasing and shared services among ICUF member institutions.

ICUF SCHOOLS

ADVENTHEALTH UNIVERSITY	ORLANDO
AVE MARIA UNIVERSITY	AVE MARIA
BARRY UNIVERSITY	MIAMI SHORES
BEACON COLLEGE	LEESBURG
BETHUNE - COOKMAN UNIVERSITY	DAYTONA BEACH
ECKERD COLLEGE	ST. PETERSBURG
EDWARD WATERS UNIVERSITY	JACKSONVILLE
EMBRY-RIDDLE AERONAUTICAL UNIVERSITY	DAYTONA BEACH
EVERGLADES UNIVERSITY	BOCA RATON
FLAGLER COLLEGE	ST. AUGUSTINE
FLORIDA COLLEGE	TEMPLE TERRACE
FLORIDA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY	MELBOURNE
FLORIDA MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY	MIAMI GARDENS
FLORIDA SOUTHERN COLLEGE	LAKELAND
HODGES UNIVERSITY	NAPLES
JACKSONVILLE UNIVERSITY	JACKSONVILLE
KEISER UNIVERSITY	FT. LAUDERDALE
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RINGLING COLLEGE OF ART AND DESIGN	SARASOTA
ROLLINS COLLEGE	WINTER PARK
SAINT LEO UNIVERSITY	SAINT LEO
ST. THOMAS UNIVERSITY	MIAMI GARDENS
SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY	LAKELAND
STETSON UNIVERSITY	DELAND
THE UNIVERSITY OF TAMPA	TAMPA
UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI	CORAL GABLES
WARNER UNIVERSITY	LAKE WALES
WEBBER INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY	BABSON PARK

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Economic Development Impacts

Keiser University provides an annual economic impact in the State of Florida of more than \$3 billion, and both directly and indirectly supports more than 30,000 Florida jobs, according to an independent study by the Washington Economics Group.

E-Learning Award Winner

- Three-time Blackboard Catalyst Award Winner (2019, 2020, 2021)
- Most Recent 2021: Leading Change

RN Degrees in Nursing (2020)*

- 795 (First in Florida)
- NCLEX Pass Rate: 86.2%
*Florida Board of Nursing NCLEX Passage Rate Analysis

More than 20% of Keiser University's students are active duty service members and veterans.



Best Colleges

Money Magazine 2020 Best Colleges in America by Value
No. 12 in Florida



Chronicle of Higher Education 2021-22
No. 7 for 4-year graduation rates for private, nonprofit, nonresidential campuses

- 27 NAIA Athletic Teams
- 11 NAIA National Championships
- 398 NAIA All-Americans
- 222 NAIA Scholar Athletes
- 175 All-Conference Honorees

Member of the Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities (HACU)



U.S. News & World Report 2022 Best Colleges
No. 5 for Social Mobility / No. 1 in Florida



- No. 17 Best College in Florida
- No. 17 Best Online College in the US
- No. 29 Best Hispanic

Serving-Institution in the US

Florida Trend
FLORIDA'S BUSINESS AUTHORITY

Ranked No. 1 in Florida for private, nonprofit institutions for 2021-22 enrollment





George L. Hanbury II, Ph.D.
President/Chief Executive Officer

January 6, 2022

**A Legislative Position Paper Addressing the Florida Nursing Workforce Shortage:
Nova Southeastern University**

Nova Southeastern University, with more than 22,000 students, houses one of the top nursing schools in the State of Florida. The Ron and Kathy Assaf College of Nursing enrolls, on average, 1,870 students in any year. The nursing programs offer a diverse range of learning opportunities, not only for traditional students, but nontraditional students who may already be employed in the health care field.

NSU, with its main campus in Fort Lauderdale, Florida and Florida Regional Campuses in Fort Myers, Jacksonville, Miami, Miramar, Orlando, Palm Beach, and Tampa Bay, currently enrolls each year 390 undergraduate nursing students (Bachelor of Science in Nursing) at three campus locations (Fort Lauderdale, Fort Myers, and Miami), and 285 graduate nursing students each year (both Masters and Doctoral programs) at three campus locations (Palm Beach, Tampa Bay, and Miramar) and at distance locations via online platform.

Recognizing the nursing crisis facing Florida, with a projected shortage of 10,000 nurses just in the next year, NSU presents this Position Paper as suggested legislative strategies for consideration during the 2022-22 Legislative Session.

1. **Address the Faculty Shortage.** Nursing programs across Florida, both in the public and private sectors, all agree that there is a shortage of nursing professionals to prepare and educate undergraduate students to be nurses. This directly leads to a lack of capacity to expand seats in almost every nursing program in the state. In order to attract talented nursing professionals to be professors, each schools' dean or "head of school", will need increases in funding in order to attract working professionals to become faculty members; however, their individualized efforts will only exacerbate and cannibalize a system that sorely lacks professionals with masters and doctoral degrees who are willing to leave the bedside for the classroom.

A comprehensive approach to provide incentives for undergraduate nursing students to continue onto a graduate level program, or for nurses who have practiced in the field and have reached the top of their career ladder to return to school or return to teach is required. Universities and colleges should partner with their local hospitals to identify ideal candidates to return to the classroom to either further their education in a masters/doctoral program, or to teach on a full or part time basis.

In year one, schools that meet a certain level of performance metrics relating to graduating students on time and with higher passage rates on the NCLEX licensure exam should be eligible for funding that will allow the school to recruit candidates for enrollment or employment and to provide scholarships or employment bonuses to selected professionals. The addition of one faculty member could increase the enrollment numbers by 20.

Proposed language:

From the funds in Specific Appropriation XX, the Agency for Health Care Administration shall transfer to the Department of Education \$35,000,000 to implement a Nursing Faculty Recruitment and Retention initiative. \$15,000,000 of the funds shall be disbursed to colleges to recruit graduate level nurses who have ten or more years of experience and provide a \$10,000 bonus to any candidate who accepts a position at a nursing program in Florida that meets the following performance metrics: 1) graduation rate in the nursing program of 70% or higher; and 2) NCLEX passage rate of 90% or above. The remaining \$20,000,000 shall be used to provide tuition scholarships to practicing nurses who have a BSN to enroll in a graduate level nursing course and commit to at least five years of employment as a part- or full-time faculty member at an accredited nursing program in a Florida college or university.

- 2. Increase Hospital Clinical Rotations.** A key component of nursing education is the clinical instruction component which requires students to demonstrate competency in a hospital setting. However, since there is no legislative requirement or regulatory rule, hospitals have cut back over multiple years, on clinical rotations which further limits a nursing school's capacity to increase their undergraduate enrollment.

If hospitals were required to increase their clinical rotations in year one by only 10% of current capacity, and reserve the additional slots, for students enrolled in schools that demonstrate high level performance on the metrics of graduation on time and passage on the NCLEX, great strides would be made without "cannibalizing a system that sorely lacks professionals with masters and doctoral degrees." Medicaid funding is available for clinical rotations. Safety net and teaching hospitals should be prioritized for any additional funding for clinical rotations.

In addition, as an incentive for hospitals to increase preceptors and onsite classroom space should be eligible for funding increases. Preceptors are nursing professionals who have the experiential level but not the education level to provide instruction in the hospital setting. There are limits on the number of preceptors that a nursing program may utilize, and statutory changes may be necessary to address any limitations.

Proposed language:

From the funds in Specific Appropriation XX, the Agency for Health Care Administration shall provide funding to safety net and teaching hospitals to increase the clinical rotations available to nursing students in the Fiscal Year 2022-23. To be eligible, a hospital must agree to increase their rotation slots by 110% of the FY 2021-22 value and to increase preceptors available at the hospital setting. Funds may also be used to allocate physical classroom space at the hospital site to facilitate learning on site opportunities.

3. **Innovation grants for nursing programs to adapt instructional modality.** The legislature should earmark a pot of funding to provide grants to high performing nursing programs to develop, implement or replicate innovative instructional methods. For example, NSU has an accelerated BSN program located at its Fort Myers Regional Campus, and allows a student who has previously earned a bachelor degree in another field, to complete an accelerated nursing program in 18 months, and an entry level nursing student can complete the program in just 27 months. NSU would like to replicate such a program at its other Regional Campuses, especially in emergency and critical care.

Other high performing nursing programs in other colleges or universities may identify other approaches, such as establishing or expanding their simulation labs or creating additional classroom space. A grant program administered by the state can evaluate the proposals and fund those which have the greatest chance of placing additional nurses in the workforce in the shortest amount of time. Grants could be evaluated on a competitive basis.

Proposed Language:

From the funds in Specific Appropriation XX, the Department of Education shall develop a nursing innovation grant program that will provide grants to nursing programs at Florida public and private universities and colleges for innovative instructional models that will lead to an increase in the number and quality of nurses entering the workforce. Grants shall be awarded on a competitive basis and shall be prioritized to programs that achieve a higher level on the performance metrics of 1. 70% or higher graduation rate in the nursing program; and 2. 90% or higher on NCLEX. Each grant is limited to no more than \$2,000,000.

Sincerely,



George L. Hanbury II, Ph.D.
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S-001 (08/10/2021)

By Senator Perry

8-00624A-22

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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to Alzheimer's disease and dementia-related disorders awareness; creating s. 381.825, F.S.; providing a short title; requiring the Department of Health, in collaboration with the Department of Elderly Affairs and the Alzheimer's Association, to develop and disseminate information relating to Alzheimer's disease and dementia-related disorders to certain health care practitioners for a specified purpose; specifying minimum requirements for such information; requiring the department to encourage health care providers to display the information in their facilities and discuss specified information with patients 60 years of age or older; requiring the department to post specified information on its website; authorizing the department to fund certain mobile and virtual outreach programs under certain circumstances; requiring the department to collaborate with other agencies and organizations to create a systematic approach to increasing public awareness of Alzheimer's disease and dementia-related disorders; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Section 381.825, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

381.825 Alzheimer's disease and dementia-related disorders awareness.

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(1) This section may be cited as the "Ramping up Education of Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia for You (READY) Act."

(2) The Department of Health, in collaboration with the Department of Elderly Affairs and the Alzheimer's Association, shall use existing, relevant public health and community outreach programs to develop and disseminate information to health care practitioners licensed under chapters 458, 459, and 464 to educate them on and increase their understanding and awareness of Alzheimer's disease and dementia-related disorders. This information must cover, at a minimum, all of the following:

(a) The importance of early detection and timely diagnosis of cognitive impairment.

(b) Use of a validated cognitive assessment tool.

(c) The value of Medicare annual wellness visits for cognitive health.

(d) Use of the Medicare billing code for advance care planning for individuals with cognitive impairment.

(e) Methods to detect early warning signs of Alzheimer's disease and dementia-related disorders.

(f) Methods to reduce the risk of cognitive decline, particularly among individuals in diverse communities who are at greater risk of developing Alzheimer's disease and dementia-related disorders.

(3) The department shall encourage health care providers, including, but not limited to, hospitals, county health departments, physicians, nurses, and rural health centers, to display the information specified in subsection (2) in their facilities and discuss the risks of Alzheimer's disease and dementia-related disorders with patients 60 years of age or

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60 (4) The department shall post on its website the
61 information specified in subsection (2), links to any additional
62 resources, and links to the Centers for Disease Control and
63 Prevention web pages that have information on Alzheimer's
64 disease and dementia-related disorders.

65 (5) The department, using any federal or state funds
66 appropriated for the purpose, may fund mobile and virtual
67 outreach programs that prioritize those in underserved
68 communities and may provide information on issues relating to
69 Alzheimer's disease and dementia-related disorders, including,
70 but not limited to, brain health, risk education, and early
71 detection and diagnosis. These programs may also provide
72 referrals to the Department of Elderly Affairs and include links
73 to any available resources relating to Alzheimer's disease or
74 dementia-related disorders.

75 (6) The department shall collaborate with other agencies
76 and organizations to create a systematic approach to increasing
77 public awareness of Alzheimer's disease and dementia-related
78 disorders.

79 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2022.



The Florida Senate

Committee Agenda Request

To: Senator Aaron Bean, Chair
Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services

Subject: Committee Agenda Request

Date: January 18, 2022

I respectfully request that **Senate Bill #806**, relating to Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia-related Disorders Awareness, be placed on the:

- committee agenda at your earliest possible convenience.
- next committee agenda.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "W. Keith Perry".

Senator Keith Perry
Florida Senate, District 8

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Health & Human Services

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Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services (Perry)
recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause
and insert:

Section 1. Section 381.825, Florida Statutes, is created to
read:

381.825 Education and public awareness relating to
Alzheimer's disease and related forms of dementia.—

(1) This section may be cited as the "Ramping up Education
of Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia for You (READY) Act."



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11 (2) The Department of Health shall, through existing,
12 relevant public health and community outreach programs, educate
13 health care practitioners licensed under chapters 458, 459, and
14 464 on all of the following:

15 (a) The importance of early detection and timely diagnosis
16 of Alzheimer's disease and related forms of dementia.

17 (b) Using a validated cognitive assessment tool.

18 (c) The value and effectiveness of the Medicare annual
19 wellness visit in detecting Alzheimer's disease and related
20 forms of dementia.

21 (d) Using Medicare advance care planning billing codes for
22 persons with Alzheimer's disease and related forms of dementia.

23 (e) Reducing the risk of cognitive decline, particularly
24 among persons in diverse communities who are at greater risk of
25 developing Alzheimer's disease and related forms of dementia.

26 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2022.

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

29 And the title is amended as follows:

30 Delete everything before the enacting clause
31 and insert:

32 A bill to be entitled
33 An act relating to Alzheimer's disease and related
34 forms of dementia education and public awareness;
35 creating s. 381.825, F.S.; providing a short title;
36 requiring the Department of Health to educate certain
37 health care practitioners regarding specified
38 information related to Alzheimer's disease and related
39 forms of dementia; providing an effective date.

The Florida Senate
BILL ANALYSIS AND FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

(This document is based on the provisions contained in the legislation as of the latest date listed below.)

Prepared By: The Professional Staff of the Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services

BILL: PCS/SB 806 (732568)

INTRODUCER: Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; Senators Perry and Stewart

SUBJECT: Alzheimer’s Disease and Dementia-related Disorders Awareness

DATE: January 28, 2022

REVISED: _____

	ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR	REFERENCE	ACTION
1.	<u>Looke</u>	<u>Brown</u>	<u>HP</u>	Favorable
2.	<u>Howard</u>	<u>Money</u>	<u>AHS</u>	Recommend: Fav/CS
3.	_____	_____	<u>AP</u>	_____

I. Summary:

PCS/SB 806 creates section 381.825, Florida Statutes, to establish the “Ramping up Education of Alzheimer’s Disease and Dementia for You (READY) Act.” The bill requires the Department of Health (DOH) to use existing, relevant public health and community outreach programs to educate health care practitioners on Alzheimer’s disease and dementia-related disorders (ADRD).

The bill provides an effective date of July 1, 2022.

II. Present Situation:

Alzheimer’s Disease and Dementia

Dementia is the loss of cognitive functioning—thinking, remembering, and reasoning—and behavioral abilities to such an extent that it interferes with a person’s daily life and activities. These functions include memory, language skills, visual perception, problem solving, self-management, and the ability to focus and pay attention. Some people with dementia cannot control their emotions, and their personalities may change. Dementia ranges in severity from the mildest stage, when it is just beginning to affect a person's functioning, to the most severe stage, when the person must depend completely on others for basic activities of living.¹

Alzheimer’s disease is the most common type of dementia. It is a progressive disease that begins with mild memory loss and can lead to loss of the ability to carry on a conversation and respond to one’s environment. Alzheimer’s disease affects parts of the brain that control thought,

¹ *What is Dementia? Symptoms, Types, and Diagnosis*, National Institute on Aging, available at <https://www.nia.nih.gov/health/what-dementia-symptoms-types-and-diagnosis>, (last visited Jan. 4, 2022).

memory, and language. It can seriously affect a person's ability to carry out daily activities. Although scientists are studying the disease, the cause of Alzheimer's disease is unknown.²

It is estimated that there are over 580,000 individuals living with Alzheimer's disease in the state of Florida.³ By 2025, it is projected that 720,000 Floridians will have Alzheimer's disease.⁴ Most individuals with Alzheimer's can live in the community with support, often provided by spouses or other family members. In the late stages of the disease, many patients require care 24 hours per day and are often served in long-term care facilities.

Dementia Care and Cure Initiative

The DOEA announced the Dementia Care and Cure Initiative (DCCI) in 2015 to engage communities across the state to be more dementia-caring, promote better care for Floridians affected by dementia, and support research efforts to find a cure. In collaboration with Florida's 11 Area Agencies on Aging and 17 memory disorder clinics, participating DCCI communities organize task forces consisting of community professionals and stakeholders who work to bring about education, awareness of, and sensitivity regarding the needs of those affected by dementia.⁵ The goals of the DCCI include:

- Increasing awareness of dementia, services, and supports.
- Providing assistance to dementia-caring communities.
- Continuing advocacy for care and cure programs.⁶

III. Effect of Proposed Changes:

The bill creates s. 381.825, F.S., to establish the "Ramping up Education of Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia for You (READY) Act."

The bill requires the DOH to use existing, relevant public health and community outreach programs to educate health care practitioners on all of the following topics:

- The importance of early detection and timely diagnosis of ADRD.
- Use of a validated cognitive assessment tool.
- The value and effectiveness of the Medicare annual wellness visit in detecting ADRD.
- Using Medicare advance care planning billing codes for persons with ADRD.
- Reducing the risk of cognitive decline, particularly among persons in diverse communities who are at greater risk of developing ADRD.

The bill provides and effective date of July 1, 2022.

² Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Alzheimer's Disease and Healthy Aging website *available at* <https://www.cdc.gov/aging/aginginfo/alzheimers.htm#AlzheimersDisease>, (last visited Jan. 4, 2022).

³ Alzheimer's Association *available at* <https://www.alz.org/media/Documents/florida-alzheimers-facts-figures-2018.pdf>, (last visited Mar. 10, 2021).

⁴ *Id.*

⁵ See <http://elderaffairs.state.fl.us/doea/dcci.php> (last visited Jan. 4, 2022).

⁶ See [DCCI-Fact-Sheet_2021-March-2021.pdf](#) (elderaffairs.org) (last visited Jan. 4, 2022).

IV. Constitutional Issues:

A. Municipality/County Mandates Restrictions:

None.

B. Public Records/Open Meetings Issues:

None.

C. Trust Funds Restrictions:

None.

D. State Tax or Fee Increases:

None.

E. Other Constitutional Issues:

None.

V. Fiscal Impact Statement:

A. Tax/Fee Issues:

None.

B. Private Sector Impact:

None.

C. Government Sector Impact:

PCS/SB 806 requires the DOH to use existing, relevant public health and community outreach programs to educate health care practitioners on Alzheimer’s disease and dementia-related disorders.

VI. Technical Deficiencies:

None.

VII. Related Issues:

None.

VIII. Statutes Affected:

This bill creates section 381.825 of the Florida Statutes.

IX. Additional Information:**A. Committee Substitute – Statement of Changes:**

(Summarizing differences between the Committee Substitute and the prior version of the bill.)

Recommended CS by Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services on January 26, 2022:

The committee substitute:

- Removes the requirement that the DOH encourage health care providers, including but not limited to, hospitals, county health departments, physicians, nurses, and rural health centers, to display the above information in their facilities and discuss the risks of ADRD with patients age 60 or older;
- Removes the requirement that the DOH post on its website the ADRD educational information, links to any additional resources, and links to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention web pages that have information on ADRD;
- Removes the allowance that the DOH can use any federal or state funds appropriated for the purpose, to fund mobile and virtual outreach programs that prioritize those in underserved communities to provide information on ADRD, including but not limited to, brain health, risk education, and early detection and diagnosis; provide referrals to the DOEA; and include links to available resources relating to ADRD.;
- Removes the requirement that the DOH must collaborate with other agencies and organizations to create a systematic approach to increasing public awareness of Alzheimer’s disease and dementia-related disorders;
- Removes the requirement that the DOH must develop and disseminate information to medical and osteopathic doctors and to nurses as part of the education requirement for health care practitioners on ADRD and removes the requirement that the DOEA and the Alzheimer’s Association must work with the DOH on this education requirement; and
- Removes the methods to detect early warning signs of ADRD as an education requirement.

B. Amendments:

None.

By Senator Burgess

20-00622A-22

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1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to telecommunicator cardiopulmonary
 3 resuscitation; amending s. 401.465, F.S.; defining the
 4 term "telecommunicator cardiopulmonary resuscitation
 5 training"; requiring certain 911 public safety
 6 telecommunicators to receive ongoing telecommunicator
 7 cardiopulmonary resuscitation training; authorizing
 8 public safety agencies and certain other agencies to
 9 enter into reciprocal agreements to provide
 10 telecommunicator cardiopulmonary resuscitation under
 11 certain circumstances; providing requirements for
 12 certain employees who answer emergency medical service
 13 calls; providing an effective date.
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 15 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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 17 Section 1. Present subsections (3) and (4) of section
 18 401.465, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as subsections (4)
 19 and (5), respectively, paragraph (d) is added to subsection (1),
 20 a new subsection (3) is added to that section, and paragraphs
 21 (d) and (j) of subsection (2) of that section are amended, to
 22 read:
 23 401.465 911 public safety telecommunicator certification.—
 24 (1) DEFINITIONS.—As used in this section, the term:
 25 (d) "Telecommunicator cardiopulmonary resuscitation
 26 training" means specific training and continuing education that
 27 is evidence-based and uses nationally accepted guidelines for
 28 high-quality telecommunicator cardiopulmonary resuscitation,
 29 including training in the recognition of out-of-hospital cardiac

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30 arrest over the telephone and the delivery of telephonic
 31 instructions for treating such cardiac arrest and performing
 32 compression-only cardiopulmonary resuscitation.
 33 (2) PERSONNEL; STANDARDS AND CERTIFICATION.—
 34 (d) The department shall determine whether the applicant
 35 meets the requirements specified in this section and in the
 36 rules of the department and shall issue a certificate to any
 37 person who meets such requirements. Such requirements must
 38 include the following:
 39 1. Completion of an appropriate 911 public safety
 40 telecommunication training program;
 41 2. Certification under oath that the applicant is not
 42 addicted to alcohol or any controlled substance;
 43 3. Certification under oath that the applicant is free from
 44 any physical or mental defect or disease that might impair the
 45 applicant's ability to perform his or her duties;
 46 4. Submission of the application fee prescribed in
 47 subsection (4) (3);
 48 5. Submission of a completed application to the department
 49 which indicates compliance with subparagraphs 1., 2., and 3.;
 50 and
 51 6. Effective October 1, 2012, passage of an examination
 52 approved by the department which measures the applicant's
 53 competency and proficiency in the subject material of the public
 54 safety telecommunication training program.
 55 (j)1. The requirement for certification as a 911 public
 56 safety telecommunicator is waived for a person employed as a
 57 sworn state-certified law enforcement officer, provided the
 58 officer:

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59 a. Is selected by his or her chief executive to perform as
 60 a 911 public safety telecommunicator;
 61 b. Performs as a 911 public safety telecommunicator on an
 62 occasional or limited basis; and
 63 c. Passes the department-approved examination that measures
 64 the competency and proficiency of an applicant in the subject
 65 material comprising the public safety telecommunication program.

66 2. A sworn state-certified law enforcement officer who
 67 fails an examination taken under subparagraph 1. must take a
 68 department-approved public safety telecommunication training
 69 program prior to retaking the examination.

70 3. The testing required under this paragraph is exempt from
 71 the examination fee required under subsection (4) ~~(3)~~.

72 (3) TELECOMMUNICATOR CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION
 73 TRAINING; RECIPROCAL AGREEMENTS.-

74 (a) In addition to the certification and recertification
 75 requirements imposed in subsection (2), 911 public safety
 76 telecommunicators who take telephone calls and provide dispatch
 77 functions for emergency medical conditions must complete
 78 telecommunicator cardiopulmonary resuscitation training and
 79 continuing education as deemed appropriate by the department.

80 (b) A public safety agency as defined in s. 365.171(3) or
 81 an agency receiving or dispatching emergency medical service
 82 calls may enter into a reciprocal agreement with another public
 83 safety agency, a dedicated telephone line, or a call center to
 84 provide telecommunicator cardiopulmonary resuscitation, provided
 85 the public safety agency or other agency that accepts the call
 86 has 911 public safety telecommunicators who are trained in
 87 telecommunicator cardiopulmonary resuscitation in accordance

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88 with this section.

89 (c) Any employee of a public safety agency who answers
 90 emergency medical service calls shall, as appropriate, provide
 91 direct telephonic assistance in administering cardiopulmonary
 92 resuscitation or transfer calls to a dedicated telephone line,
 93 call center, or other public safety agency with which the
 94 transferring public safety agency has a reciprocal agreement.

95 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2022.

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The Florida Senate

Committee Agenda Request

To: Senator Aaron Bean, Chair
Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services

Subject: Committee Agenda Request

Date: January 19, 2022

I respectfully request that **Senate Bill #890**, relating to Telecommunicator Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation , be placed on the:

- committee agenda at your earliest possible convenience.
- next committee agenda.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Danny".

Senator Danny Burgess
Florida Senate, District 20

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SB 890: Telecommunications
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9-1-1 Emergency Telecommunicators

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BILL ANALYSIS AND FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

(This document is based on the provisions contained in the legislation as of the latest date listed below.)

Prepared By: The Professional Staff of the Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services

BILL: SB 890

INTRODUCER: Senator Burgess

SUBJECT: Telecommunicator Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation

DATE: January 25, 2022

REVISED: _____

	ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR	REFERENCE	ACTION
1.	<u>Looke</u>	<u>Brown</u>	<u>HP</u>	Favorable
2.	<u>Howard</u>	<u>Money</u>	<u>AHS</u>	Recommend: Favorable
3.	_____	_____	<u>AP</u>	_____

I. Summary:

SB 890 amends section 401.465, Florida Statutes, to require that all 911 public safety telecommunicators (PST) who make telephone calls and provide dispatch functions for emergency medical conditions complete telecommunicator cardiopulmonary resuscitation (TCR) training and continuing education, as deemed appropriate by the Department of Health (DOH). The bill defines TCR training and allows a public safety agency (PSA) to enter into a reciprocal agreement with another PSA, a dedicated telephone line, or a call center to provide TCR as long as the PSA or other agency receiving the call has PSTs who are trained in TCR.

The bill will have no fiscal impact on state government.

The bill provides an effective date of July 1, 2022.

II. Present Situation:

911 Public Safety Telecommunicator Certification

Chapter 401, F.S., relates to medical telecommunications and transportation. Part I of ch. 401, F.S., is specific to the state's emergency telecommunication systems, administered by the Department of Management Services. Part II of ch. 401, F.S., is specific to the emergency medical services (EMS) grants program administered by the DOH. Part III of ch. 401, F.S., consisting of ss. 401.2101 through 401.465, F.S., is specific to medical transportation services and provides for the regulation of EMS by the DOH, including the licensure of EMS service entities, the certification of staff employed by those services, and the permitting of vehicles used by such staff—whether for basic life support (BLS), advanced life support (ALS), or air ambulance services (AAS).

Section 401.465, F.S., is specific to PST certification, as administered as part of the DOH EMS program. For purposes of that section of statute, the following terms are defined:¹

- “911 public safety telecommunicator” means a public safety dispatcher or 911 operator whose duties and responsibilities include the answering, receiving, transferring, and dispatching functions related to 911 calls; dispatching law enforcement officers, fire rescue services, emergency medical services, and other public safety services to the scene of an emergency; providing real-time information from federal, state, and local crime databases; or supervising or serving as the command officer to a person or persons having such duties and responsibilities. However, the term does not include administrative support personnel, such as, but not limited to, those whose primary duties and responsibilities are in accounting, purchasing, legal, and personnel.
- “Public safety telecommunication training program” means a 911 emergency public safety telecommunication training program that the DOH determines to be equivalent to the public safety telecommunication training program curriculum framework developed by the Department of Education (DOE) and consists of not less than 232 hours.

Any person employed as a PST at a public safety answering point, as defined in s. 365.172(3), F.S.,² must be certified by the DOH. A public safety agency, as defined in s. 365.171(3)(d), F.S.,³ may employ a PST for a period not to exceed 12 months if the trainee works under the direct supervision of a certified 911 public safety telecommunicator, as determined by rule of the DOH, and is enrolled in a PST training program. An applicant for certification or recertification as a PST must apply to the DOH under oath on the DOH-provided forms. The DOH establishes by rule, educational and training criteria for the certification and recertification of PSTs, determines whether the applicant meets the statutory and rule requirements, and issues a certificate to any person who meets such requirements including those specific to training program completion, an oath of no addiction, an oath that there is no physical or mental impairment, application fee, application submission, and passage of a certification examination.⁴

A PST certification expires automatically if not renewed at the end of the two-year period and may be renewed if the certificate holder meets the DOH-established qualifications. The DOH establishes by rule a procedure that requires 20 hours of training for the biennial renewal certification of PSTs. The DOH may suspend or revoke a certificate at any time if it determines that the certificate holder does not meet the applicable qualifications. There is a process by which a certificate holder may request that his or her certificate be placed on inactive status.⁵

A person who was employed as a PST or a state-certified firefighter before April 1, 2012, must pass the examination approved by the DOH which measures the competency and proficiency in the subject material of the PST program, and upon passage of the examination, the completion of the PST training program is waived. In addition, the requirement for certification as a PST is

¹ Section 401.465(1), F.S.

² Section 365.172 (3)(y), F.S., defines a “public safety answering point” as the public safety agency that receives incoming 911 requests for assistance and dispatches appropriate public safety agencies to respond to the requests in accordance with the state E911 plan.

³ Section 365.171(3)(d), F.S., defines a “public safety agency” as a functional division of a public agency which provides firefighting, law enforcement, medical, or other emergency services.

⁴ Section 401.465(2), F.S.

⁵ *Id.*

waived for a person employed as a sworn, state-certified law enforcement officer, provided specified criteria are met.⁶

The following PST-related fees are specified in statute:

- Initial application for original certification: \$50;
- Examination fee, set by the DOH, not to exceed \$75;
- Biennial renewal certificate, set by the DOH, not to exceed \$50;
- Training program fee, set by the DOH, not to exceed \$50; and
- Duplicate, substitute, or replacement certificate fee, set by the DOH, not to exceed \$25.

Fees collected are deposited into the DOH EMS Trust Fund and used solely for administering this program.⁷ The fees currently applied by the DOH are the maximum fees indicated above.⁸

The DOH has adopted three rules specific to its PST program responsibilities. These rules, which address PST certification, certification renewal, and PST course equivalency, were adopted in 2012.⁹ These rules not only link to the DOH forms and reference documents but also link to the relevant DOE documents, such as the PST curriculum framework.

The DOH website has extensive details specific to the PST program and includes links to all applicable forms for individuals who are seeking to become certified or re-certified as a PST, including PST examination details, training program requirements, and fees. Training programs must follow the DOE Public Safety Telecommunication Curriculum Framework and consist of not less than 232 hours in order to be approved as a PST training program. The DOH uses a vendor, Prometric,¹⁰ to administer the testing for PST candidates.¹¹

The DOH develops the learning objectives for the PST program, and these are reflected in the 142-page program study guide.¹² Until Fiscal Year 2014-2015, the DOH learning objectives and the DOE curriculum framework included a requirement that PST training must include CPR training. In conjunction with the DOE and other stakeholders, the CPR element of required training was discontinued.¹³

⁶ *Id.*

⁷ Section 401.465(3), F.S.

⁸ See the Department of Health, *911 Public Safety Telecommunicator Program*, available at <http://www.floridahealth.gov/licensing-and-regulation/911-public-safety-telecommunicator-program/index.html> (last visited Jan. 3, 2022).

⁹ Chapter 64J-3, L.O.F. (2012).

¹⁰ Prometric is a provider of technology-enabled testing and assessment solutions to many licensing and certification organizations, academic institutions, and government agencies.

¹¹ *Supra* note 9.

¹² See the Department of Health, *Florida 911 Public Safety Telecommunicator Study Guide*, available at http://www.floridahealth.gov/licensing-and-regulation/911-public-safety-telecommunicator-program/_documents/911-pst-studyguide-2017E4.pdf.pdf (last visited Jan. 3, 2022).

¹³ E-mail from Department of Education to staff of the Senate Committee on Health Policy (January 30, 2020) (on file with the Senate Committee on Health Policy).

According to the DOH, as of January 30, 2020, there were 115 active approved PST training programs in the state.¹⁴

Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR): First Aid

Cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) is a lifesaving technique useful in many emergencies, including a heart attack or near drowning, in which someone's breathing or heartbeat has stopped. At its most basic, CPR is a technique which utilizes chest compressions when a patient has suffered from cardiac arrest. The American Heart Association recommends that everyone, untrained bystanders and medical personnel alike, begin CPR with chest compressions. CPR can keep oxygenated blood flowing to the brain and other vital organs until more definitive medical treatment can restore a normal heart rhythm. When the heart stops, the lack of oxygenated blood can cause brain damage in only a few minutes. A person may die within eight to 10 minutes.¹⁵

III. Effect of Proposed Changes:

The bill amends s. 401.465, F.S., to require that, in addition to the current certification and recertification requirements, PSTs who take telephone calls and provide dispatch functions for emergency medical conditions complete TCR training and continuing education, as deemed appropriate by the DOH. The bill defines TCR training to mean specific training and continuing education that is evidence-based and uses nationally accepted guidelines for high-quality TCR, including training in the recognition of out-of-hospital cardiac arrest over the telephone and the delivery of telephonic instructions for treating such cardiac arrest and performing compression-only cardiopulmonary resuscitation.

The bill allows PSAs to enter into a reciprocal agreement with another PSA, a dedicated telephone line, or a call center to provide TCR as long as the PSA or other agency receiving the call has PSTs who are TCR trained. The bill also requires that any employee of a PSA who answers EMS calls must, as appropriate, provide TCR or transfer the call to the entity with which the PSA has entered into a reciprocal agreement to provide TCR.

The bill provides an effective date of July 1, 2022.

IV. Constitutional Issues:

A. Municipality/County Mandates Restrictions:

None.

B. Public Records/Open Meetings Issues:

None.

¹⁴ E-mail from the Department of Health to staff of the Senate Committee on Health Policy (January 30, 2020) (on file with the Senate Committee on Health Policy).

¹⁵ See Mayo Clinic: *Cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR): First aid*, available at <https://www.mayoclinic.org/first-aid/first-aid-cpr/basics/art-20056600> (last visited Jan. 3, 2022).

C. Trust Funds Restrictions:

None.

D. State Tax or Fee Increases:

None.

E. Other Constitutional Issues:

None.

V. Fiscal Impact Statement:

A. Tax/Fee Issues:

None.

B. Private Sector Impact:

SB 890 may have a negative fiscal impact on PSAs who are required to obtain additional TCR training under the bill.

C. Government Sector Impact:

None.

VI. Technical Deficiencies:

None.

VII. Related Issues:

None.

VIII. Statutes Affected:

This bill substantially amends section 401.465 of the Florida Statutes.

IX. Additional Information:

A. Committee Substitute – Statement of Changes:

(Summarizing differences between the Committee Substitute and the prior version of the bill.)

None.

B. Amendments:

None.

This Senate Bill Analysis does not reflect the intent or official position of the bill's introducer or the Florida Senate.

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