

The 2014 Florida Statutes
Chapter 768
NEGLIGENCE

768.1325 **Cardiac Arrest Survival Act; immunity from civil liability.—**

- (1) This section may be cited as the “Cardiac Arrest Survival Act.”
- (2) As used in this section:
 - (a) “Perceived medical emergency” means circumstances in which the behavior of an individual leads a reasonable person to believe that the individual is experiencing a life-threatening medical condition that requires an immediate medical response regarding the heart or other cardiopulmonary functioning of the individual.
 - (b) “Automated external defibrillator device” means a lifesaving defibrillator device that:
 1. Is commercially distributed in accordance with the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act.
 2. Is capable of recognizing the presence or absence of ventricular fibrillation, and is capable of determining without intervention by the user of the device whether defibrillation should be performed.
 3. Upon determining that defibrillation should be performed, is able to deliver an electrical shock to an individual.
 - (c) “Harm” means damage or loss of any and all types, including, but not limited to, physical, nonphysical, economic, noneconomic, actual, compensatory, consequential, incidental, and punitive damages or losses.
- (3) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, and except as provided in subsection (4), **any person who uses or attempts to use an automated external defibrillator device on a victim of a perceived medical emergency, without objection of the victim of the perceived medical emergency, is immune from civil liability for any harm resulting from the use or attempted use of such device.**

History.—s. 1, ch. 2001-76; s. 3, ch. 2004-345; s. 3, ch. 2004-353; s. 3, ch. 2006-206; s. 2, ch. 2008-101.