

1 (c) Assist in meeting the growing demand for in-home
2 companion care services and personal care services and in
3 preventing costly and premature institutional placements; and

4 (d) Act as a direct referral service for the
5 Department of Elderly Affairs.

6 (2) By January 1, 2008, if the pilot program is
7 established, the Department of Elderly Affairs shall submit a
8 report to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the
9 House of Representatives which includes the status of the
10 implementation of the program, the number of economically
11 disadvantaged workers who have been trained to provide
12 community-based care for frail and vulnerable older adults who
13 live in the community, the number of frail and vulnerable
14 older adults who have received such services, and
15 recommendations for further legislation, including a
16 recommendation regarding extending the pilot program
17 throughout the state.

18 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005.