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1 A bill to be entitled 2 An act relating to the Florida Kratom Consumer 3 Protection Act; creating s. 501.9745, F.S.; providing 4 a short title; defining the terms "kratom extract," 5 "kratom product," and "processor"; prohibiting 6 processors from selling, preparing, distributing, or 7 exposing for sale certain kratom products; prohibiting 8 processors from distributing, selling, or exposing for 9 sale a kratom product to an individual under 21 years of age; providing civil penalties; providing an 10 11 exception; providing an effective date. 12 13 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 14 Section 1. Section 501.9745, Florida Statutes, is created 15 16 to read: 17 501.9745 Florida Kratom Consumer Protection Act.-18 (1) This section may be cited as the "Florida Kratom 19 Consumer Protection Act." (2) As used in this section, the term: 20 21 "Kratom extract" means a food product or dietary 22 ingredient that contains any part of the leaf of the plant 23 Mitragyna speciosa which has been extracted and concentrated to 24 provide more standardized dosing. 25 "Kratom product" means a food product, food (b)

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ingredient, dietary ingredient, dietary supplement, or beverage
intended for human consumption which contains any part of the
leaf of the plant Mitragyna speciosa or an extract of such plant
and is manufactured as a powder, capsule, pill, beverage, or
other edible form.

- (c) "Processor" means a person who sells, prepares, manufactures, distributes, or maintains kratom products.
- (3) A processor may not sell, prepare, distribute, or expose for sale:
 - (a) A kratom product that:

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- 1. Is adulterated with a dangerous non-kratom substance that affects the quality or strength of the kratom product to such a degree that it may injure a consumer.
- 2. Contains a poisonous or otherwise harmful non-kratom ingredient, including, but not limited to, any substance listed in s. 893.03.
- 3. Contains a level of 7-hydroxymitragynine in the alkaloid fraction which is greater than 2 percent of the alkaloid composition of the product.
- 4. Contains a synthetic alkaloid, including, but not limited to, synthetic mitragynine, synthetic 7- hydroxymitragynine, or any other synthetically derived compound of the plant Mitragyna speciosa.
- 5. Does not include directions for the safe and effective use of the product, including, but not limited to, a suggested

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serving size, on the product's packaging or label.

- 6. Has a label that contains any claim that the product is intended to diagnose, treat, cure, or prevent any medical condition or disease.
- (b) Kratom extract that contains levels of residual solvents higher than the standards set forth in USP-NF chapter 467.
- (4) A processor may not distribute, sell, or expose for sale a kratom product to an individual under 21 years of age.
- (5) A processor who violates subsection (3) is subject to an administrative fine of not more than \$500 for the first offense and not more than \$1,000 for the second or subsequent offense. A processor selling kratom products at retail does not violate subsection (3) if it is shown by a preponderance of the evidence that the processor relied in good faith upon the representations of a manufacturer, processor, packer, or distributor of the kratom product.
 - Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2023.