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A bill to be entitled 1 2 An act relating to public food service establishment regulation; transferring certain 3 4 powers, duties, functions, and assets of the 5 Department of Business and Professional 6 Regulation with respect to regulating public 7 food service establishments to the Department of Health; amending s. 20.165, F.S.; renaming 8 9 the Division of Hotels and Restaurants; creating s. 381.0074, F.S.; providing for a 10 registry of mobile food dispensing vehicles; 11 12 prescribing guidelines for temporary food service events; creating s. 381.00742, F.S.; 13 prescribing rights of food service 14 establishments; creating s. 381.00744, F.S.; 15 providing for admission of, and ejection of, 16 17 undesirable guests; providing rights and duties of operators and guests of establishments; 18 19 creating s. 381.00746, F.S.; providing rules 20 and guidelines with respect to theft of 21 property; providing penalties; amending ss. 22 381.006, 381.0072, 381.0101, 399.01, 509.013, 159.27, 316.1955, 404.056, 500.12, 717.1355, 23 877.24, 509.032, 509.035, 509.072, 509.091, 24 25 509.092, 509.101, 509.141, 509.142, 509.151, 509.162, 509.191, 509.211, 509.2112, 509.215, 26 27 509.221, 509.241, 509.251, 509.261, 509.281, 2.8 509.291, 509.302, F.S., to conform to the changes made by the act; amending s. 386.205, 29 30 F.S.; prohibiting smoking in public food 31 service establishments; transferring and

renumbering s. 509.213, F.S., relating to emergency first aid; transferring and renumbering s. 509.214, F.S., relating to notification of automatic gratuity charge; transferring and renumbering s. 509.232, F.S., relating to school carnivals and fairs; transferring and renumbering s. 509.292, F.S., relating to misrepresenting food or food products; repealing s. 386.203(1)(p), F. S., which provides for the inclusion of specified restaurants in the definition of the term "public place"; repealing s. 509.036, F.S., relating to food service inspector standardization; repealing s. 509.039, F.S., relating to food service manager certification; repealing s. 509.049, F.S., relating to food service employee training; providing for the continued effect of rules; providing for the continuation of judicial and administrative proceedings; providing for appointment of a transition advisory committee; providing effective dates. Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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Section 1. All powers, duties, functions, records, personnel, property, and unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations, and other funds of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation relating to the public food service establishment portion of the Division of Hotels and Restaurants described in part I of chapter 509, Florida

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Statutes, are transferred to the Department of Health by a type two transfer as defined in section 20.06, Florida 3 Statutes. The Department of Health may organize, classify, and 4 manage the positions transferred in a manner that will reduce duplication, achieve maximum efficiency, and ensure accountability.

Section 2. Subsection (2) of section 20.165, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- 20.165 Department of Business and Professional Regulation .-- There is created a Department of Business and Professional Regulation.
- (2) The following divisions of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation are established:
 - (a) Division of Administration.
 - (b) Division of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco.
 - (c) Division of Certified Public Accounting.
- 1. The director of the division shall be appointed by the secretary of the department, subject to approval by a majority of the Board of Accountancy.
- 2. The offices of the division shall be located in Gainesville.
- (d) Division of Florida Land Sales, Condominiums, and Mobile Homes.
 - (e) Division of Public Lodging Hotels and Restaurants.
 - (f) Division of Pari-mutuel Wagering.
 - (g) Division of Professions.
 - (h) Division of Real Estate.
- The director of the division shall be appointed by 29 the secretary of the department, subject to approval by a majority of the Florida Real Estate Commission.

- 2. The offices of the division shall be located in Orlando.
 - (i) Division of Regulation.
 - (j) Division of Technology, Licensure, and Testing.

Section 3. Subsection (11) of section 381.006, Florida Statutes, 1998 Supplement, is amended to read:

381.006 Environmental health.--The department shall conduct an environmental health program as part of fulfilling the state's public health mission. The purpose of this program is to detect and prevent disease caused by natural and manmade factors in the environment. The environmental health program shall include, but not be limited to:

(11) A food service protection function as provided in this chapter Mosquito and pest control functions as provided in chapters 388 and 482.

The department may adopt rules to carry out the provisions of this section.

Section 4. Section 381.0072, Florida Statutes, 1998 Supplement, is amended to read:

381.0072 Food service protection.—It <u>is</u> shall be the duty of the Department of Health to adopt and enforce sanitation rules consistent with law to ensure the protection of the public from food-borne illness. These rules shall provide the standards and requirements for the storage, preparation, <u>packaging</u>, serving, <u>vending</u>, or display of food in food service establishments as defined in this section and which are not permitted or licensed under chapter 500 or chapter 509.

(1) DEFINITIONS.--As used in this section, the term:

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30 31 (a) "Department" means the Department of Health or its representative county health department.

(b) "Food service establishment" means any operation facility, as described in this paragraph, which stores, prepares, packages, serves, vends, or otherwise provides food for human consumption where food is prepared and intended for individual portion service, and includes the site at which individual portions are provided. The term includes any such facility regardless of whether consumption is on or off the premises and regardless of whether there is a charge for the food. The term includes detention facilities, child care facilities, schools, institutions, civic or fraternal organizations, bars and lounges and facilities used at temporary food events, mobile food units, and vending machines at any facility regulated under this section. The term does not include private homes where food is prepared or served for individual family consumption; nor does the term include churches, synagogues, or other not-for-profit religious organizations as long as these organizations serve only their members and guests and do not advertise food or drink for public consumption; nor does the term include, or any operation facility or establishment permitted or licensed under chapter 500 or chapter 509; nor does the term include operations exempted by rules adopted under paragraph (2)(a) any theater, if the primary use is as a theater and if patron service is limited to food items customarily served to the admittees of theaters; nor does the term include a research and development test kitchen limited to the use of employees and which is not open to the general public.

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- (c) "Operator" means the owner, operator, keeper, proprietor, lessee, manager, assistant manager, agent, or employee of a food service establishment.
 - (2) DUTIES.--
- The department shall adopt rules consistent with law prescribing minimum sanitation standards and manager certification requirements as prescribed in this section s. 509.039, which shall be enforced in food service establishments as defined in this section. The sanitation standards must address, but are not limited to:the construction, operation, and maintenance of establishments the establishment; plan review; design, construction, installation, maintenance, sanitation, and storage of food equipment; employee training, health, hygiene, and work practices; food supplies, preparation, storage, transportation, and service; and sanitary facilities and controls, including water supply and sewage disposal; plumbing and toilet facilities; garbage and refuse collection, storage, and disposal; and vermin control. Public and private schools, hospitals licensed under chapter 395, nursing homes licensed under part II of chapter 400, child care facilities as defined in s. 402.301, and residential facilities colocated with a nursing home or hospital if all food is prepared in a central kitchen that complies with nursing or hospital regulations shall be exempt from the rules developed for manager certification. The department shall administer a comprehensive inspection, monitoring, and sampling program to ensure such standards are maintained. The regulation and inspection of food service establishments licensed under this section, with regard to food safety protection standards and required training and testing of food service establishment personnel,

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are preempted to the state With respect to food service establishments permitted or licensed under chapter 500 or chapter 509, the department shall assist the Division of Hotels and Restaurants of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation and the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services with rulemaking by providing technical information.

- (b) The department shall carry out all provisions of this chapter and all other applicable laws and rules relating to the inspection or regulation of food service establishments as defined in this section, for the purpose of safeguarding the public's health, safety, and welfare.
- (c) The department shall inspect each food service establishment as often as necessary to ensure compliance with applicable laws and rules. The department shall have the right of entry and access to these food service establishments at any reasonable time. In inspecting food service establishments as provided under this section, the department shall provide each inspected establishment with the food recovery brochure developed under s. 570.0725.
- (d) The department or other appropriate regulatory entity may inspect theaters exempted in subsection (1) to ensure compliance with applicable laws and rules pertaining to minimum sanitation standards. A fee for inspection shall be prescribed by rule, but the aggregate amount charged per year per theater establishment shall not exceed \$300, regardless of the entity providing the inspection.
 - (3) LICENSES REQUIRED. --
- (a) Licenses; annual renewals.--Each food service establishment regulated under this section shall obtain a license from the department annually. Food service

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establishment licenses shall expire annually and shall not be transferable from one place or individual to another. However, those facilities licensed by the department's Office of Licensure and Certification, the Children and Families Program Office, or the Developmental Services Program Office are exempt from this subsection. It is shall be a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 381.0061, s. 775.082, or s. 775.083, for such an establishment to operate without this license. The department may refuse a license, or a renewal thereof, to any establishment that is not constructed or maintained in accordance with law and with the rules of the department. Annual application for renewal shall not be required, provided that the information of record was not changed.

- (b) Application for license. -- Each person who plans to open a food service establishment not regulated under chapter 500 or chapter 509 shall apply for and receive a license prior to the commencement of operation.
- (c) Display of license. -- A food service establishment that offers catering services must display its license number on all advertising for catering services.
 - (4) LICENSE; INSPECTION; FEES.--
- The department is authorized to collect fees from establishments licensed under this section and from those facilities exempted from licensure under paragraph (3)(a). is the intent of the Legislature that the total fees assessed under this section be in an amount sufficient to meet the cost of carrying out the provisions of this section, including the cost of inspector standardization.
- The fee schedule for food service establishments 31 licensed under this section shall be prescribed by rule, but

the aggregate license fee per establishment shall not exceed $$400$\frac{300}{5}$.

- (c) The license fees shall be prorated on a quarterly basis. Annual licenses shall be renewed as prescribed by rule.
- (d) The fact that a food service establishment is operated in conjunction with a public lodging establishment does not relieve the food service establishment of the requirement that it be licensed separately as a food service establishment.
- (5) FINES; SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION OF LICENSES; PROCEDURE.--
- (a) The department may impose fines against the establishment or operator regulated under this section for violations of sanitary standards, in accordance with s. 381.0061. All amounts collected shall be deposited to the credit of the County Health Department Trust Fund administered by the department.
- (b) The department may suspend or revoke the license of any food service establishment licensed under this section that has operated or is operating in violation of any of the provisions of this section or the rules adopted under this section. Such food service establishment shall remain closed when its license is suspended or revoked.
- (c) The department may suspend or revoke the license of any food service establishment licensed under this section when such establishment has been deemed by the department to be an imminent danger to the public's health for failure to meet sanitation standards or other applicable regulatory standards.

1 (d) No license shall be suspended under this section
2 for a period of more than 12 months. At the end of such
3 period of suspension, the establishment may apply for
4 reinstatement or renewal of the license. A food service
5 establishment which has had its license revoked may not apply
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In addition to any other penalty that may be imposed for a violation of this subsection, the operator of a food service establishment may be required to attend and complete a food-safety course sponsored or approved by the department.

- (6) IMMINENT DANGERS; STOP-SALE ORDERS.--
- In the course of epidemiological investigations or (a) for those establishments regulated under this chapter, the department, to protect the public from food that is unwholesome or otherwise unfit for human consumption, may examine, sample, seize, and stop the sale or use of food to determine its condition. The department may stop the sale and supervise the proper destruction of food when the State Health Officer or his or her designee determines that such food represents a threat to the public health. If the operator of a food service establishment licensed under this chapter has received official notification from a health authority that a food or food product from that establishment has potentially contributed to any instance or outbreak of food-borne illness, the food or food product must be maintained in safe storage in the establishment until the responsible health authority has examined, sampled, seized, or requested destruction of the food product.

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- establishment regulated under this section is an imminent danger to the public health and require its immediate closure when such establishment fails to comply with applicable sanitary and safety standards or due to natural disasters and, because of such failure, presents an imminent threat to the public's health, safety, and welfare. The department may accept inspection results from state and local building and firesafety officials and other regulatory agencies as justification for such actions. Any facility so deemed and closed shall remain closed until allowed by the department or by judicial order to reopen.
- issue a notice to show cause and an emergency order of suspension. Such order shall be served upon the food service establishment by the department, and the establishment shall be closed. An operator who resists such closure is subject to further administrative action by the department and is punishable as provided in s. 381.0061. The department shall provide an inspection within 24 hours following such closure and shall review all relevant information to determine whether the establishment has met the requirements to resume operations.
- (d) The department may attach a sign that states

 Closed to Protect Public Health and Safety" to such an

 establishment and may require the licensee to immediately stop

 service until notification to the contrary is provided by the

 department.
- (e) The department may further adopt rules for issuing emergency orders after business hours and on weekends and

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holidays in order to ensure the timely closure of an establishment under this section.

- (7) MISREPRESENTING FOOD OR FOOD PRODUCTS.--No operator of any food service establishment regulated under this section shall knowingly and willfully misrepresent the identity of any food or food product to any of the patrons of such establishment. Food used by food service establishments shall be identified, labeled, and advertised in accordance with the provisions of chapter 500.
- (8) FOOD SERVICE MANAGER CERTIFICATION; FOOD SERVICE EMPLOYEE TRAINING.--
- (a) The department shall adopt, by rule, food safety protection standards for the training and certification of all food service managers who are responsible for the storage, preparation, display, or serving of foods to the public in establishments regulated under this section. These standards are to be adopted by the department to ensure that, upon successfully passing a test, a manager of a food service establishment has demonstrated a knowledge of basic food protection practices. These standards must also provide for a certification program that authorizes private or public agencies to conduct an approved test and certify the results of those tests to the department. The fee for the test may not exceed \$50. All managers employed by a food service establishment must have passed this test and received a certificate attesting thereto. Managers have a period of 90 days after employment to pass the required test.
- (b) The department shall adopt, by rule, minimum food safety protection standards for the training of all food service employees who are responsible for the storage, preparation, display, or serving of foods to the public in

establishments regulated under this section. These standards shall not include an examination or certification. It shall be the duty of the licensee of the food service establishment to provide training in accordance with the described rule to all employees under the licensee's supervision or control. The licensee may designate a certified food service manager to perform this function as an agent of the licensee.

- (9) FOOD SERVICE ESTABLISHMENT RANKING.--The ranking of food service establishments is preempted to the state; however, any local ordinance establishing a ranking system in existence before October 1, 1988, may remain in effect.
 - (10) FOOD SERVICES STANDARDS ADVISORY COUNCIL.--
- (a) The Food Services Standards Advisory Council, hereafter known as the "council," consisting of nine members, is created to assist the department with the implementation of this section, including food service inspector standardization and food service manager certification. The council shall also serve as the review board for the variance process described in this section. The State Health Officer shall appoint the members of the council, as follows:
 - 1. The state epidemiologist or his or her designee.
 - 2. Two county health department representatives.
 - 3. Four food service industry representatives.
- 4. One consumer representative not affiliated with the food service industry.
 - 5. One representative of the State Health Office.
- (b) Members shall be appointed for a 4-year term and may be reappointed to one additional term.
- (c) The council may elect one member to serve as chairperson and one member to serve as vice chairperson. The

term of office for chairperson and vice chairperson shall be for 2 years.

- (d) The purpose of the council is to promote better relations, understanding, and cooperation between the industry and the department; to suggest improved means of protecting the health of persons being served; to give the department the benefit of its knowledge and experience concerning how applicable laws and rules affect the industry; to promote and coordinate educational and certification efforts aimed at improving food protection and preventing food-borne illness; and to review variance requests submitted to the department.
- (e) The council shall meet at least quarterly, or upon the call of the Secretary of Health, for the purpose of reviewing food standards and making recommendations to the department for rule or statutory amendments, and for reviewing variance requests as described in subsection (11). The department shall provide administrative and clerical support services for the council.
- (f) The members of the council shall serve without compensation, but shall be entitled to receive reimbursement for per diem and travel expenses pursuant to s. 112.061.
 - (11) FACILITY PLAN REVIEWS; VARIANCES.--
- (a) The department may establish, by rule, the process for and fees to support conducting facility plan reviews.
- (b)1. The department may grant variances from construction standards in hardship cases, which variances may be less restrictive than the provisions specified in this section or by rules adopted under this section. A variance may not be granted pursuant to this section until the department is satisfied that:

1	a. The variance shall not adversely affect the health
2	of the public.
3	b. No reasonable alternative exists for the required
4	construction.
5	c. The hardship was not caused intentionally by the
6	action of the applicant.
7	2. The Food Services Standards Advisory Council shall
8	review applications for variances and recommend agency action
9	at its quarterly meetings. The department shall make
10	arrangements to expedite emergency requests for variances, to
11	ensure that such requests are acted upon within 30 days after
12	receipt.
13	3. The department shall establish by rule a fee for
14	the cost of the variance process. Such fee may not exceed \$150
15	for routine variance requests and \$300 for emergency variance
16	requests.
17	(12) FOOD SERVICE INSPECTION REPORT The operator of
18	a food service establishment must maintain the latest food
19	service inspection report or a duplicate copy on the premises
20	and make the report available to the public upon request.
21	Section 5. Section 381.0074, Florida Statutes, is
22	created to read:
23	381.0074 Mobile food dispensing vehicle registry;
24	temporary food service events
25	(1) It is the duty of each operator of a food service
26	establishment that provides commissary services to maintain a
27	daily registry verifying that each mobile food dispensing
28	vehicle that receives such services is properly licensed by
29	the department. In order that such licensure may be readily

31 permanently affix in a prominent place on the side of the

vehicle, in figures at least 2 inches high and in contrasting colors from the background, the operator's food service establishment license number. Before providing commissary services, each food service establishment must verify that the license number displayed on the vehicle matches the number on the vehicle operator's food service establishment license.

- (2)(a) The term "temporary food service event" means any event of 30 days or less in duration at which food is prepared, served, or sold to the public.
- (b) The department shall administer a public notification process for temporary food service events and distribute educational materials that address safe food storage, preparation, and service procedures.
- 1. Sponsors of temporary food service events shall notify the department not less than 3 days prior to the scheduled event of the type of food service proposed, the time and location of the event, a complete list of food service vendor owners and operators participating in each event, and the current license numbers of all food service establishments participating in each event. Notification may be completed orally, by telephone or in person, or in writing. A food service establishment or food service vendor may not use this notification process to circumvent the license requirements of this chapter.
- 2. The department shall keep a record of all notifications received for proposed temporary food service events and shall provide appropriate educational materials to the event sponsors.
- 3.a. A food service establishment or other food vendor must obtain a license from the department for each temporary food service event in which it participates.

b. A food service establishment holding a current license from the department may operate under the regulations of such a license at temporary food service events of 3 days or less in duration.

Section 6. Section 381.00742, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

381.00742 Food service establishments; rights as private enterprises; rules and notices.--

- (1) Food service establishments are private enterprises, and the operator has the right to refuse accommodations or service to any person who is objectionable or undesirable to the operator, but such refusal may not be based upon race, creed, color, sex, physical disability, or national origin. A person aggrieved by a violation of this section or a violation of a rule adopted under this section has a right of action pursuant to s. 760.11.
- establish reasonable rules for the management of the establishment and its guests and employees; and each guest or employee sojourning, eating, or employed in the establishment must conform to and abide by such rules so long as the guest or employee remains in or at the establishment. Such rules shall be deemed to be a special contract between the operator and each guest or employee using the services or facilities of the operator. Such rules shall control the liabilities, responsibilities, and obligations of all parties. Any rules established pursuant to this subsection must be printed in the English language and posted in a prominent place within the food service establishment. Such posting shall also include notice that a current copy of this chapter is available in the office for public review.

1 Section 7. Section 381.00744, Florida Statutes, is 2 created to read: 3 381.00744 Admission and ejection of undesirable guests; process; conduct; defrauding; penalties; property .--4 5 (1) The operator of any food service establishment may 6 remove or cause to be removed from such establishment, in the 7 manner provided in this section, any guest of the 8 establishment who, while on the premises of the establishment, illegally possesses or deals in controlled substances as 9 defined in chapter 893 or is intoxicated, profane, lewd, or 10 11 brawling; who indulges in any language or conduct that disturbs the peace and comfort of other guests or that injures 12 the reputation, dignity, or standing of the establishment; who 13 fails to make payment for food, beverages, or services; or 14 who, in the opinion of the operator, is a person the continued 15 entertainment of whom would be detrimental to the 16 17 establishment. The admission to, or the removal from, such establishment may not be based upon race, creed, color, sex, 18 19 physical disability, or national origin. (2) The operator of the food service establishment 20 21 shall notify such guest that the establishment no longer desires to entertain the guest and shall request that such 22 guest immediately depart from the establishment. Such notice 23 24 may be given orally or in writing. If the notice is in 25 writing, it shall be as follows: "You are hereby notified that this establishment no 26 27 longer desires to entertain you as its guest, and you are 28 requested to leave at once. To remain after receipt of this 29 notice is a misdemeanor under the laws of this state." 30

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If such guest has paid in advance, the establishment shall, at the time such notice is given, tender to such guest the unused portion of the advance payment.

- (3) Any guest who remains or attempts to remain in any such establishment after being requested to leave is guilty of a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.
- If any person is illegally on the premises of any food service establishment, the operator of such establishment may call upon any law enforcement officer of this state for assistance. It is the duty of such law enforcement officer, upon the request of such operator, to place under arrest and take into custody for violation of this section any quest who violates subsection (3) in the presence of the officer. If a warrant has been issued by the proper judicial officer for the arrest of any violator of subsection (3), the officer shall serve the warrant, arrest the person, and take the person into custody. Upon arrest, with or without warrant, the guest will be deemed to have given up any right to use or to have abandoned such right of use of the premises, and the operator of the establishment may then make such premises available to other guests. However, the operator of the establishment shall employ all reasonable and proper means to care for any personal property that may be left on the premises by such guest and shall refund any unused portion of moneys paid by such guest for the use of such premises.
- (5) The operator of a food service establishment may refuse accommodations or service to any person whose conduct on the premises of the establishment displays intoxication, profanity, lewdness, or brawling; who indulges in language or conduct such as to disturb the peace or comfort of other

guests; who engages in illegal or disorderly conduct; who illegally possesses or deals in controlled substances as defined in chapter 893; or whose conduct constitutes a nuisance. Such refusal may not be based upon race, creed, color, sex, physical disability, or national origin.

- detain that person in a reasonable manner and for a reasonable time if the operator has probable cause to believe that the person was engaging in disorderly conduct in violation of s. 877.03 on the premises of the licensed establishment and that such conduct was creating a threat to the life or safety of the person or others. The operator shall call a law enforcement officer to the scene immediately after detaining a person under this subsection.
- (7) A law enforcement officer may arrest, either on or off the premises of the licensed establishment and without a warrant, any person the officer has probable cause to believe violated s. 877.03 on the premises of a licensed establishment and, in the course of such violation, created a threat to the life or safety of the person or others.
- (8) An operator or a law enforcement officer who detains a person under subsection (6) or makes an arrest under subsection (7) is not civilly or criminally liable for false arrest, false imprisonment, or unlawful detention on the basis of any action taken in compliance with subsection (6) or subsection (7).
- (9) A person who resists the reasonable efforts of an operator or a law enforcement officer to detain or arrest that person in accordance with this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083, unless the person did not know or did

 not have reason to know that the person seeking to make such detention or arrest was the operator of the establishment or a law enforcement officer.

(10) Any person who obtains food or other accommodations having a value of less than \$300 at any food service establishment with intent to defraud the operator thereof is guilty of a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083; if such food or other accommodations have a value of \$300 or more, such person is guilty of a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

(11) The operator of a food service establishment is not under any obligation to accept for safekeeping any moneys, securities, jewelry, precious stones, wearing apparel, goods, or other property of any kind belonging to any guest, and, if such are accepted for safekeeping, the operator is not liable for the loss thereof unless such loss was the proximate result of fault or negligence of the operator. However, the liability of the operator shall be limited to \$1,000 for such loss, if the food service establishment gave a receipt for the property (stating the value) on a form which stated, in type large enough to be clearly noticeable, that the food service establishment was not liable for any loss exceeding \$1,000 and was only liable for that amount if the loss was the proximate result of fault or negligence of the operator.

(12) Any property with an identifiable owner which is left in a food service establishment, other than property belonging to a guest who has vacated the premises without notice to the operator and with an outstanding account, which property remains unclaimed after being held by the

 establishment for 90 days after written notice to the guest or owner of the property, shall become the property of the establishment. Property without an identifiable owner which is found in a food service establishment is subject to the provisions of chapter 705.

Section 8. Section 381.00746, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

381.00746 Rules of evidence in prosecutions; theft of personal property; process; penalties.--

- (1) In prosecutions under s. 381.00744, proof that food or other accommodations were obtained by false pretense; by false or fictitious show of property; by absconding without paying or offering to pay for such food or accommodations; or by surreptitiously removing or attempting to remove personal belongings shall constitute prima facie evidence of fraudulent intent. If the operator of the establishment has probable cause to believe, and does believe, that any person has obtained food or other accommodations at such establishment with intent to defraud the operator thereof, the failure to make payment upon demand therefor, there being no dispute as to the amount owed, shall constitute prima facie evidence of fraudulent intent in such prosecutions.
- (2) Any law enforcement officer or operator of a food service establishment who has probable cause to believe that theft of personal property belonging to such establishment has been committed by a person and that the officer or operator can recover such property or the reasonable value thereof by taking the person into custody may, for the purpose of attempting to effect such recovery or for prosecution, take such person into custody on the premises and detain such person in a reasonable manner and for a reasonable period of

enforcement officer shall be called to the scene immediately.

The taking into custody and detention by a law enforcement officer or operator of a food service establishment, if done in compliance with this subsection, does not render such law enforcement officer or operator criminally or civilly liable for false arrest, false imprisonment, or unlawful detention.

- (3) Any law enforcement officer may arrest, either on or off the premises and without warrant, any person if there is probable cause to believe that person has committed theft in a food service establishment.
- (4) Any person who resists the reasonable effort of a law enforcement officer or operator of a food service establishment to recover property that the law enforcement officer or operator had probable cause to believe had been stolen from the food service establishment, and who is subsequently found to be guilty of theft of the subject property, is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083, unless such person did not know, or did not have reason to know, that the person seeking to recover the property was a law enforcement officer or the operator. For purposes of this section, the charge of theft and the charge of resisting apprehension may be tried concurrently.
- (5) Theft of any property belonging to a guest of a food service establishment, or of property belonging to such establishment, by an employee of the establishment or by an employee of a person, firm, or entity that has contracted to provide services to the establishment constitutes a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

 Section 9. Section 381.0101, Florida Statutes, 1998 Supplement, is amended to read:

381.0101 Environmental health professionals.--

- (1) LEGISLATIVE INTENT.--Persons responsible for providing technical and scientific evaluations of environmental health and sanitary conditions in business establishments and communities throughout the state may create a danger to the public health if they are not skilled or competent to perform such evaluations. The public relies on the judgment of environmental health professionals employed by both government agencies and industries to assure them that environmental hazards are identified and removed before they endanger the health or safety of the public. The purpose of this section is to assure the public that persons specifically responsible for performing environmental health and sanitary evaluations have been certified by examination as competent to perform such work.
 - (2) DEFINITIONS.--As used in this section:
- (a) "Board" means the Environmental Health Professionals Advisory Board.
 - (b) "Department" means the Department of Health.
- (c) "Environmental health" means that segment of public health work which deals with the examination of those factors in the human environment which may impact adversely on the health status of an individual or the public.
- (d) "Environmental health professional" means a person who is employed or assigned the responsibility for assessing the environmental health or sanitary conditions, as defined by the department, within a building, on an individual's property, or within the community at large, and who has the knowledge, skills, and abilities to carry out these tasks.

Environmental health professionals may be either field, supervisory, or administrative staff members.

- (e) "Certified" means a person who has displayed competency to perform evaluations of environmental or sanitary conditions through examination.
- (f) "Registered sanitarian," "R.S.," "Registered Environmental Health Specialist," or "R.E.H.S." means a person who has been certified by either the National Environmental Health Association or the Florida Environmental Health Association as knowledgeable in the environmental health profession.
- (g) "Primary environmental health program" means those programs determined by the department to be essential for providing basic environmental and sanitary protection to the public. At a minimum, these programs shall include food protection program work and onsite sewage treatment and disposal system evaluations.
- (3) CERTIFICATION REQUIRED.—No person shall perform environmental health or sanitary evaluations in any primary program area of environmental health without being certified by the department as competent to perform such evaluations. The requirements of this section shall not be mandatory for persons performing inspections of public food service establishments licensed under chapter 509.
- (4) ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS ADVISORY BOARD.—The State Health Officer shall appoint an advisory board to assist the department in the <u>adoption</u> promulgation of rules for certification, testing, establishing standards, <u>including establishing requirements for field standardizing of environmental health professionals</u>, and seeking enforcement actions against certified professionals.

- (a) The board shall be comprised of the Division Director for Environmental Health or his or her designee, one individual who will be certified under this section, one individual not employed in a governmental capacity who will or does employ a certified environmental health professional, one individual whose business is or will be evaluated by a certified environmental health professional, a citizen of the state who neither employs nor is routinely evaluated by a person certified under this section.
- (b) The board shall advise the department as to the minimum disciplinary guidelines and standards of competency and proficiency necessary to obtain certification in a primary area of environmental health practice.
- 1. The board shall recommend primary areas of environmental health practice in which environmental health professionals should be required to obtain certification.
- 2. The board shall recommend minimum standards of practice which the department shall incorporate into rule.
- 3. The board shall evaluate and recommend to the department existing registrations and certifications which meet or exceed minimum department standards and should, therefore, exempt holders of such certificates or registrations from compliance with this section.
- 4. The board shall hear appeals of certificate denials, revocation, or suspension and shall advise the department as to the disposition of such an appeal.
- 5. The board shall meet as often as necessary, but no less than semiannually, handle appeals to the department, and conduct other duties of the board.

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- 6. Members of the board shall receive no compensation but are entitled to reimbursement for per diem and travel expenses in accordance with s. 112.061.
- (5) STANDARDS FOR CERTIFICATION.—The department shall adopt rules that establish minimum standards of education, training, or experience for those persons subject to this section. The rules shall also address the process for application, examination, issuance, expiration, and renewal of certification and ethical standards of practice for the profession.
- (a) Persons employed as environmental health professionals shall exhibit a knowledge of rules and principles of environmental and public health law in Florida through examination. A person may not conduct environmental health evaluations in a primary program area unless he or she is currently certified in that program area or works under the direct supervision of a certified environmental health professional.
- 1. All persons who begin employment in a primary environmental health program on or after September 21, 1994, must be certified in that program within 6 months after employment.
- 2. Persons employed in a primary environmental health program prior to September 21, 1994, shall be considered certified while employed in that position and shall be required to adhere to any professional standards established by the department pursuant to paragraph (b), complete any continuing education requirements imposed under paragraph (d), and pay the certificate renewal fee imposed under subsection (7).

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- 3. Persons employed in a primary environmental health program prior to September 21, 1994, who change positions or program areas and transfer into another primary environmental health program area on or after September 21, 1994, must be certified in that program within 6 months after such transfer, except that they will not be required to possess the college degree required under paragraph (e).
- Registered sanitarians shall be considered certified and shall be required to adhere to any professional standards established by the department pursuant to paragraph (b).
- (b) At a minimum, the department shall establish standards for professionals in the areas of food hygiene and onsite sewage treatment and disposal.
- (c) Those persons conducting primary environmental health evaluations shall be certified by examination to be knowledgeable in any primary area of environmental health in which they are routinely assigned duties.
- (d) Persons who are certified shall renew their certification biennially by completing not less than 24 contact hours of continuing education for each program area in which they maintain certification.
- (e) Applicants for certification shall have graduated from an accredited 4-year college or university with a degree or major coursework in public health, environmental health, environmental science, or a physical or biological science.
- (f) A certificateholder shall notify the department within 60 days after any change of name or address from that which appears on the current certificate.
- (6) EXEMPTIONS. -- A person who conducts primary 31 environmental evaluation activities and maintains a current

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registration or certification from another state agency which examined the person's knowledge of the primary program area and requires comparable continuing education to maintain the certificate shall not be required to be certified by this section. Examples of persons not subject to certification are physicians, registered dietitians, certified laboratory personnel, and nurses.

- (7) FEES.--The department shall charge fees in amounts necessary to meet the cost of providing certification. Fees for certification shall be not less than \$10 or more than \$300 and shall be set by rule. Application, examination, and certification costs shall be included in this fee. Fees for renewal of a certificate shall be no less than \$25 nor more than \$150 per biennium.
- (8) PENALTIES. -- The department may deny, suspend, or revoke a certificate or impose an administrative fine of up to \$500 for each violation of this section or a rule adopted under this section or may pursue any other enforcement action authorized by law. Any person who has had a certificate revoked may not conduct environmental health evaluations in a primary program area for a minimum of 5 years from the date of revocation.

Section 10. Subsection (4) of section 399.01, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

399.01 Definitions.--As used in this chapter, the term:

"Division" means the Division of Public Lodging Hotels and Restaurants of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation.

Section 11. Section 509.013, Florida Statutes, is 31 | amended to read:

509.013 Definitions.--As used in this chapter, the term:

- (1) "Division" means the Division of <u>Public Lodging</u>
 Hotels and Restaurants of the Department of Business and
 Professional Regulation.
- (2) "Operator" means the owner, licensee, proprietor, lessee, manager, assistant manager, or appointed agent of a public lodging establishment or public food service establishment.
- (3) "Guest" means any patron, customer, tenant, lodger, boarder, or occupant of a public lodging establishment or public food service establishment.
- (4)(a) "Public lodging establishment" means any unit, group of units, dwelling, building, or group of buildings within a single complex of buildings, which is rented to guests more than three times in a calendar year for periods of less than 30 days or 1 calendar month, whichever is less, or which is advertised or held out to the public as a place regularly rented to guests. License classifications of public lodging establishments, and the definitions therefor, are set out in s. 509.242. For the purpose of licensure, the term does not include condominium common elements as defined in s. 718.103.
- (b) The following are excluded from the definition in paragraph (a):
- 1. Any dormitory or other living or sleeping facility maintained by a public or private school, college, or university for the use of students, faculty, or visitors;
- Any hospital, nursing home, sanitarium, assisted living facility, or other similar place;

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- 3. Any place renting four rental units or less, unless the rental units are advertised or held out to the public to be places that are regularly rented to transients;
- 4. Any unit or group of units in a condominium, cooperative, or timeshare plan and any individually or collectively owned one-family, two-family, three-family, or four-family dwelling house or dwelling unit that is rented for periods of at least 30 days or 1 calendar month, whichever is less, and that is not advertised or held out to the public as a place regularly rented for periods of less than 1 calendar month, provided that no more than four rental units within a single complex of buildings are available for rent;
- 5. Any migrant labor camp or residential migrant housing permitted by the Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services; under ss. 381.008-381.00895; and
- 6. Any establishment inspected by the Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services and regulated by chapter 513.
- (5)(a) "Public food service establishment" means any building, vehicle, place, or structure, or any room or division in a building, vehicle, place, or structure where food is prepared, served, or sold for immediate consumption on or in the vicinity of the premises; called for or taken out by customers; or prepared prior to being delivered to another location for consumption.
- (b) The following are excluded from the definition in paragraph (a):
- 1. Any place maintained and operated by a public or private school, college, or university:
 - a. For the use of students and faculty; or

1 b. Temporarily to serve such events as fairs, 2 carnivals, and athletic contests. 3 2. Any eating place maintained and operated by a church or a religious, nonprofit fraternal, or nonprofit civic 4 5 organization: 6 a. For the use of members and associates; or 7 b. Temporarily to serve such events as fairs, 8 carnivals, or athletic contests. 9 3. Any eating place located on an airplane, train, bus, or watercraft which is a common carrier. 10 11 Any eating place maintained by a hospital, nursing home, sanitarium, assisted living facility, adult day care 12 center, or other similar place that is regulated under s. 13 381.0072. 14 15 5. Any place of business issued a permit or inspected 16 by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services under 17 s. 500.12. 6. Any place of business where the food available for 18 consumption is limited to ice, beverages with or without 19 20 garnishment, popcorn, or prepackaged items sold without 21 additions or preparation. 22 7. Any theater, if the primary use is as a theater and 23 if patron service is limited to food items customarily served 24 to the admittees of theaters. 25 8. Any vending machine that dispenses any food or 26 beverages other than potentially hazardous foods, as defined 27 by division rule. 28 9. Any vending machine that dispenses potentially hazardous food and which is located in a facility regulated 29 30 under s. 381.0072.

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10. Any research and development test kitchen limited to the use of employees and which is not open to the general public.

(5)(6) "Director" means the Director of the Division of Public Lodging Hotels and Restaurants of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation.

(6) "Single complex of buildings" means all buildings or structures that are owned, managed, controlled, or operated under one business name and are situated on the same tract or plot of land that is not separated by a public street or highway.

(8) "Temporary food service event" means any event of 30 days or less in duration where food is prepared, served, or sold to the general public.

(7) "Theme park or entertainment complex" means a complex comprised of at least 25 contiguous acres owned and controlled by the same business entity and which contains permanent exhibitions and a variety of recreational activities and has a minimum of 1 million visitors annually.

(8)(10) "Transient establishment" means any public lodging establishment that is rented or leased to guests by an operator whose intention is that such guests' occupancy will be temporary.

(9)(11) "Transient occupancy" means occupancy when it is the intention of the parties that the occupancy will be temporary. There is a rebuttable presumption that, when the dwelling unit occupied is the sole residence of the guest, the occupancy is nontransient. There is a rebuttable presumption that, when the dwelling unit occupied is not the sole residence of the guest, the occupancy is transient.

1 (10)(12) "Transient" means a guest in transient 2 occupancy. 3 Section 12. Subsection (12) of section 159.27, Florida 4 Statutes, 1998 Supplement, is amended to read: 5 159.27 Definitions.--The following words and terms, 6 unless the context clearly indicates a different meaning, 7 shall have the following meanings: (12) "Public lodging or restaurant facility" means 8 9 property used for any public lodging establishment as defined 10 in s. 509.242 or public food service establishment as defined 11 in s. $381.0072 ext{ s. } 509.013(5)$ if it is part of the complex of, or necessary to, another facility qualifying under this part. 12 13 Section 13. Paragraphs (b) and (c) of subsection (5), subsection (6), and paragraph (b) of subsection (10) of 14 15 section 316.1955, Florida Statutes, 1998 Supplement, are 16 amended to read: 17 316.1955 Parking spaces for persons who have 18 disabilities.--19 (5) Accessible perpendicular and diagonal accessible parking spaces and loading zones must be designed and located 20 in conformance with the guidelines set forth in ADAAG ss. 21 22 4.1.2 and 4.6 and Appendix s. A4.6.3 "Universal Parking 23 Design." 24 Each space must be located on the shortest safely 25 accessible route from the parking space to an accessible entrance. If there are multiple entrances or multiple retail 26 27 stores, the parking spaces must be dispersed to provide 28 parking at the nearest accessible entrance. If a theme park 29 or an entertainment complex as defined in s. 509.013 s. 509.013(9)provides parking in several lots or areas from 30

which access to the theme park or entertainment complex is

provided, a single lot or area may be designated for parking by persons who have disabilities, if the lot or area is located on the shortest safely accessible route to an accessible entrance to the theme park or entertainment complex or to transportation to such an accessible entrance.

- (c)1. Each parking space must be no less than 12 feet wide. Parking access aisles must be no less than 5 feet wide and must be part of an accessible route to the building or facility entrance. In accordance with ADAAG s. 4.6.3, access aisles must be placed adjacent to accessible parking spaces; however, two accessible parking spaces may share a common access aisle. The access aisle must be striped diagonally to designate it as a no-parking zone.
- 2. The parking access aisles are reserved for the temporary exclusive use of persons who have disabled parking permits and who require extra space to deploy a mobility device, lift, or ramp in order to exit from or enter a vehicle. Parking is not allowed in an access aisle. Violators are subject to the same penalties that are imposed for illegally parking in parking spaces that are designated for persons who have disabilities. A vehicle may not be parked in an access aisle, even if the vehicle owner or passenger is disabled or owns a disabled parking permit.
- 3. Any provision of this subsection to the contrary notwithstanding, a theme park or an entertainment complex as defined in $\underline{s.\ 509.013}\ \underline{s.\ 509.013(9)}$ in which are provided continuous attendant services for directing individuals to marked accessible parking spaces or designated lots for parking by persons who have disabilities, may, in lieu of the required parking space design, provide parking spaces that

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30 31 comply with ss. 4.1 and 4.6 of the Americans with Disabilities Act Accessibility Guidelines.

(6) Each such parking space must be prominently outlined with blue paint, and must be repainted when necessary, to be clearly distinguishable as a parking space designated for persons who have disabilities and must be posted with a permanent above-grade sign of a color and design approved by the Department of Transportation, which is placed on or at a distance of 84 inches above the ground to the bottom of the sign and which bears the international symbol of accessibility meeting the requirements of ADAAG s. 4.30.7 and the caption "PARKING BY DISABLED PERMIT ONLY." Such a sign erected after October 1, 1996, must indicate the penalty for illegal use of the space. Any provision of this section to the contrary notwithstanding, in a theme park or an entertainment complex as defined in s. $509.013 \frac{\text{s. } 509.013(9)}{\text{in which}}$ accessible parking is located in designated lots or areas, the signage indicating the lot as reserved for accessible parking may be located at the entrances to the lot in lieu of a sign at each parking place. This subsection does not relieve the owner of the responsibility of complying with the signage requirements of ADAAG s. 4.30.

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(b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), a theme park or an entertainment complex as defined in $\underline{s.\ 509.013}\ \underline{s.\ 509.013(9)}$ which provides parking in designated areas for persons who have disabilities may allow any vehicle that is transporting a person who has a disability to remain parked in a space reserved for persons who have disabilities throughout the period the theme park is open to the public for that day.

1 Section 14. Subsection (6) of section 404.056, Florida Statutes, 1998 Supplement, is amended to read: 2 3 404.056 Environmental radiation standards and 4 programs; radon protection. --5 (6) NOTIFICATION ON REAL ESTATE DOCUMENTS. -- By January 6 1, 1989, notification shall be provided on at least one 7 document, form, or application executed at the time of, or prior to, contract for sale and purchase of any building or 8 9 execution of a rental agreement for any building. Such 10 notification shall contain the following language: 11 "RADON GAS: Radon is a naturally occurring radioactive 12 13 gas that, when it has accumulated in a building in sufficient 14 quantities, may present health risks to persons who are exposed to it over time. Levels of radon that exceed federal 15 and state guidelines have been found in buildings in Florida. 16 17 Additional information regarding radon and radon testing may 18 be obtained from your county health department." 19 20 The requirements of this subsection do not apply to any 21 residential transient occupancy, as described in s. 509.013 s. 509.013(11), provided that such occupancy is 45 days or less 22 in duration. 23 24 Section 15. Subsection (5) of section 500.12, Florida 25 Statutes, as amended by section 1 of chapter 98-13, Laws of Florida, and section 14 of chapter 98-396, Laws of Florida, is 26 27 amended to read: 28 500.12 Food permits; building permits.--29 (5) It is the intent of the Legislature to eliminate

duplication of regulatory inspections of food. Regulatory and

permitting authority over any food establishment is preempted to the department, except as provided in chapters 370 and 372.

- (a) Food establishments or retail food stores that have ancillary food service activities shall be permitted and inspected by the department.
- (b) Food service establishments, as defined in s. 381.0072, that have ancillary, prepackaged retail food sales shall be regulated by the Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services.
- (c) Public food service establishments, as defined in s. 509.013, which have ancillary, prepackaged retail food sales shall be licensed and inspected by the Department of Business and Professional Regulation.
- $\underline{(c)}$ (d) The department and the Department of $\underline{\text{Health}}$ Business and Professional Regulation shall cooperate to assure equivalency of inspection and enforcement and to share information on those establishments identified in paragraphs (a) and $\underline{(b)}$ (c) and to address any other areas of potential duplication. The department and the Department of $\underline{\text{Health}}$ Business and Professional Regulation are authorized to adopt rules to enforce statutory requirements under their purview regarding foods.

Section 16. Section 717.1355, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

717.1355 Theme park and entertainment complex tickets.—This chapter does not apply to any tickets for admission to a theme park or entertainment complex as defined in $\underline{s.\ 509.013}$ $\underline{s.\ 509.013(9)}$, or to any tickets to a permanent exhibition or recreational activity within such theme park or entertainment complex.

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Section 17. Subsection (8) of section 877.24, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

877.24 Nonapplication of s. 877.22.--Section 877.22 does not apply to a minor who is:

(8) Attending an organized event held at and sponsored by a theme park or entertainment complex as defined in s. $509.013 \pm ... 509.013(9)$.

Section 18. Section 509.032, Florida Statutes, 1998 Supplement, is amended to read:

509.032 Duties.--

- (1) GENERAL. -- The division shall carry out all of the provisions of this chapter and all other applicable laws and rules relating to the inspection or regulation of public lodging establishments and public food service establishments for the purpose of safeguarding the public health, safety, and welfare. The division shall be responsible for ascertaining that an operator licensed under this chapter does not engage in any misleading advertising or unethical practices.
 - (2) INSPECTION OF PREMISES. --
- The division has responsibility and jurisdiction (a) for all inspections required by this chapter. The division has responsibility for quality assurance. Each licensed establishment shall be inspected at least biannually and at such other times as the division determines is necessary to ensure the public's health, safety, and welfare. The division shall establish a system to determine inspection frequency. Public lodging units classified as resort condominiums or resort dwellings are not subject to this requirement, but shall be made available to the division upon request. during the inspection of a public lodging establishment 31 classified for renting to transient or nontransient tenants,

 an inspector identifies disabled adults or elderly persons who appear to be victims of neglect, as defined in s. 415.102, or, in the case of a building that is not equipped with automatic sprinkler systems, tenants or clients who may be unable to self-preserve in an emergency, the division shall convene meetings with the following agencies as appropriate to the individual situation: the Department of Health, the Department of Children and Family and Rehabilitative Services, the Department of Elderly Affairs, the area agency on aging, the local fire marshal, the landlord and affected tenants and clients, and other relevant organizations, to develop a plan which improves the prospects for safety of affected residents and, if necessary, identifies alternative living arrangements such as facilities licensed under part II or part III of chapter 400.

- (b) For purposes of performing required inspections and the enforcement of this chapter, the division has the right of entry and access to public lodging establishments and public food service establishments at any reasonable time.
- (c) Public food service establishment inspections shall be conducted to enforce provisions of this part and to educate, inform, and promote cooperation between the division and the establishment.
- (d) The division shall adopt and enforce sanitation rules consistent with law to ensure the protection of the public from food-borne illness in those establishments licensed under this chapter. These rules shall provide the standards and requirements for obtaining, storing, preparing, processing, serving, or displaying food in public food service establishments, approving public food service establishment facility plans, conducting necessary public food service

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establishment inspections, cooperating and coordinating with the Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services in epidemiological investigations, and initiating enforcement actions, and for other such responsibilities deemed necessary by the division.

- $(c)1.\frac{(e)1.}{(e)1}$ Relating to facility plan approvals, the division may establish, by rule, fees for conducting plan reviews and may grant variances from construction standards in hardship cases, which variances may be less restrictive than the provisions specified in this section or the rules adopted under this section. A variance may not be granted pursuant to this section until the division is satisfied that:
- The variance shall not adversely affect the health of the public.
- b. No reasonable alternative to the required construction exists.
- The hardship was not caused intentionally by the action of the applicant.
- The division's advisory council shall review applications for variances and recommend agency action. The division shall make arrangements to expedite emergency requests for variances, to ensure that such requests are acted upon within 30 days of receipt.
- The division shall establish, by rule, a fee for the cost of the variance process. Such fee shall not exceed \$150 for routine variance requests and \$300 for emergency variance requests.
- (d) (f) In conducting inspections of establishments licensed under this chapter, the division shall determine if each coin-operated amusement machine that is operated on the 31 premises of a licensed establishment is properly registered

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with the Department of Revenue. Each month the division shall report to the Department of Revenue the sales tax registration number of the operator of any licensed establishment that has on location a coin-operated amusement machine and that does not have an identifying certificate conspicuously displayed as required by s. 212.05(1)(j).

- (q) In inspecting public food service establishments, the department shall provide each inspected establishment with the food-recovery brochure developed under s. 570.0725.
- (3) SANITARY STANDARDS; EMERGENCIES; TEMPORARY FOOD SERVICE EVENTS. -- The division shall:
- (a) Prescribe sanitary standards which shall be enforced in public lodging food service establishments.
- Inspect public lodging establishments periodically and public food service establishments whenever necessary to respond to an emergency or epidemiological condition.
- (c) Administer a public notification process for temporary food service events and distribute educational materials that address safe food storage, preparation, and service procedures.
- 1. Sponsors of temporary food service events shall notify the division not less than 3 days prior to the scheduled event of the type of food service proposed, the time and location of the event, a complete list of food service vendor owners and operators participating in each event, and the current license numbers of all public food service establishments participating in each event. Notification may be completed orally, by telephone, in person, or in writing. A public food service establishment or food service vendor may not use this notification process to circumvent the license 31 requirements of this chapter.

2. The division shall keep a record of all notifications received for proposed temporary food service events and shall provide appropriate educational materials to the event sponsors, including the food-recovery brochure developed under s. 570.0725.

3.a. A public food service establishment or other food vendor must obtain a license from the division for each temporary food service event in which it participates.

b. Public food service establishments holding current licenses from the division may operate under the regulations of such a license at temporary food service events of 3 days or less in duration.

(4) STOP-SALE ORDERS.—The division may stop the sale, and supervise the proper destruction, of any food or food product when the director or the director's designee determines that such food or food product represents a threat to the public safety or welfare. If the operator of a public food service establishment licensed under this chapter has received official notification from a health authority that a food or food product from that establishment has potentially contributed to any instance or outbreak of food-borne illness, the food or food product must be maintained in safe storage in the establishment until the responsible health authority has examined, sampled, seized, or requested destruction of the food or food product.

 $\underline{(4)(5)}$ REPORTS REQUIRED.—The division shall send the Governor a written report, which shall state, but not be limited to, the total number of inspections conducted by the division to ensure the enforcement of sanitary standards, the total number of inspections conducted in response to emergency or epidemiological conditions, the number of violations of

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each sanitary standard, and any recommendations for improved inspection procedures. The division shall also keep accurate account of all expenses arising out of the performance of its duties and all fees collected under this chapter. The report shall be submitted by September 30 following the end of the fiscal year.

(5)(6) RULEMAKING AUTHORITY. -- The division shall adopt such rules as are necessary to carry out the provisions of this chapter.

(6) PREEMPTION AUTHORITY. -- The regulation and inspection of public lodging establishments and public food service establishments and the regulation of food safety protection standards for required training and testing of food service establishment personnel are preempted to the state.

Section 19. Section 509.035, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

509.035 Immediate closure due to severe public health or safety threat. -- The division shall, upon proper finding, immediately issue an order to close an establishment licensed under this chapter in the instance of a severe and immediate public health or safety or welfare threat as follows:

- (1)(a) The director shall declare a public health or safety threat upon a proper finding by the State Health Officer that the continued operation of a licensed public lodging establishment presents a severe and immediate threat to the public health or safety.
- (b) The director shall declare a threat to the public safety or welfare upon a proper finding by the director that the continued operation of a licensed public lodging establishment presents a severe and immediate threat to the 31 public safety or welfare.

- (2) Upon such determination, the division shall issue a notice to show cause and an emergency order of suspension. Such order shall be served upon the <u>public lodging</u> establishment by the division or its agent, and the establishment shall be closed. An operator who resists such closure is subject to further administrative action by the division and is punishable as provided in s. 509.281. The division shall provide an inspection within 24 hours following such closure and shall review all relevant information to determine whether the facility has met the requirements to resume operations.
- (3) The division may attach a sign which states "Closed to Protect Public Health and Safety" to such an establishment and may require the licensee to immediately stop service until notification to the contrary is provided by the director.
- (4) The division may further adopt rules for issuing emergency orders after business hours and on weekends and holidays in order to ensure the timely closure of an establishment under this section.

Section 20. Section 509.072, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

509.072 <u>Public Lodging Hotel and Restaurant</u> Trust Fund; collection and disposition of moneys received.--

(1) There is created a <u>Public Lodging Hotel and</u>

Restaurant Trust Fund to be used for the administration and operation of the division and the carrying out of all laws and rules under the jurisdiction of the division pertaining to the construction, maintenance, and operation of public lodging establishments and public food service establishments, including the inspection of elevators as required under

chapter 399. All funds collected by the division and the amounts paid for licenses and fees shall be deposited in the State Treasury into the <u>Public Lodging Hotel and Restaurant</u> Trust Fund.

(2) Fees collected under s. 509.302(3) and deposited into the trust fund must be used solely for the purpose of funding the Hospitality Education Program, except for any trust fund service charge imposed by s. 215.20, and may not be used to pay for any expense of the division not directly attributable to the Hospitality Education Program. These funds may not be deposited or transferred into any other trust fund administered by the Department of Business and Professional Regulation or any of its divisions. For audit purposes, fees collected under s. 509.302(3) and all charges against those fees must be maintained by the department as a separate ledger.

Section 21. Section 509.091, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

509.091 Notices; form and service.—Each notice served by the division pursuant to this chapter must be in writing and must be delivered personally by an agent of the division or by registered letter to the operator of the public lodging establishment or public food service establishment. If the operator refuses to accept service or evades service or the agent is otherwise unable to effect service after due diligence, the division may post such notice in a conspicuous place at the establishment.

Section 22. Section 509.092, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

509.092 Public lodging establishments and public food service establishments; rights as private enterprises.—Public

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30 31 lodging establishments and public food service establishments are private enterprises, and the operator has the right to refuse accommodations or service to any person who is objectionable or undesirable to the operator, but such refusal may not be based upon race, creed, color, sex, physical disability, or national origin. A person aggrieved by a violation of this section or a violation of a rule adopted under this section has a right of action pursuant to s. 760.11.

Section 23. Section 509.101, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

509.101 Establishment rules; posting of notice; food service inspection report; maintenance of guest register; mobile food dispensing vehicle registry.--

(1) Any operator of a public lodging establishment or a public food service establishment may establish reasonable rules and regulations for the management of the establishment and its guests and employees; and each guest or employee staying, sojourning, eating, or employed in the establishment shall conform to and abide by such rules and regulations so long as the guest or employee remains in or at the establishment. Such rules and regulations shall be deemed to be a special contract between the operator and each guest or employee using the services or facilities of the operator. Such rules and regulations shall control the liabilities, responsibilities, and obligations of all parties. Any rules or regulations established pursuant to this section shall be printed in the English language and posted in a prominent place within such public lodging establishment or public food service establishment. Such posting shall also include notice that a current copy of this chapter is available in the office

for public review. In addition, any operator of a public food service establishment shall maintain the latest food service inspection report or a duplicate copy on premises and shall make it available to the public upon request.

- establishment to maintain at all times a register, signed by or for guests who occupy rental units within the establishment, showing the dates upon which the rental units were occupied by such guests and the rates charged for their occupancy. This register shall be maintained in chronological order and available for inspection by the division at any time. Operators need not make available registers which are more than 2 years old. Each operator shall maintain at all times a current copy of this chapter in the office of the licensed establishment which shall be made available to the public upon request.
- (3) It is the duty of each operator of a public food service establishment that provides commissary services to maintain a daily registry verifying that each mobile food dispensing vehicle that receives such services is properly licensed by the division. In order that such licensure may be readily verified, each mobile food dispensing vehicle operator shall permanently affix in a prominent place on the side of the vehicle, in figures at least 2 inches high and in contrasting colors from the background, the operator's public food service establishment license number. Prior to providing commissary services, each public food service establishment must verify that the license number displayed on the vehicle matches the number on the vehicle operator's public food service establishment license.

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Section 24. Section 509.141, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

509.141 Refusal of admission and ejection of undesirable guests; notice; procedure; penalties for refusal to leave. --

- (1) The operator of any public lodging establishment or public food service establishment may remove or cause to be removed from such establishment, in the manner hereinafter provided in this section, any guest of the establishment who, while on the premises of the establishment, illegally possesses or deals in controlled substances as defined in chapter 893 or is intoxicated, profane, lewd, or brawling; who indulges in any language or conduct which disturbs the peace and comfort of other guests or which injures the reputation, dignity, or standing of the establishment; who, in the case of a public lodging establishment, fails to make payment of rent at the agreed-upon rental rate by the agreed-upon checkout time; who, in the case of a public lodging establishment, fails to check out by the time agreed upon in writing by the guest and public lodging establishment at check-in unless an extension of time is agreed to by the public lodging establishment and guest prior to checkout; who, in the case of a public food service establishment, fails to make payment for food, beverages, or services; or who, in the opinion of the operator, is a person the continued entertainment of whom would be detrimental to such establishment. The admission to, or the removal from, such establishment shall not be based upon race, creed, color, sex, physical disability, or national origin.
- (2) The operator of any public lodging establishment 31 or public food service establishment shall notify such guest

that the establishment no longer desires to entertain the guest and shall request that such guest immediately depart from the establishment. Such notice may be given orally or in writing. If the notice is in writing, it shall be as follows:

"You are hereby notified that this establishment no longer desires to entertain you as its quest, and you are requested to leave at once. To remain after receipt of this notice is a misdemeanor under the laws of this state."

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If such guest has paid in advance, the establishment shall, at the time such notice is given, tender to such guest the unused portion of the advance payment; however, the establishment may withhold payment for each full day that the quest has been entertained at the establishment for any portion of the 24-hour period of such day.

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(3) Any guest who remains or attempts to remain in any such establishment after being requested to leave is guilty of a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

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(4) If any person is illegally on the premises of any public lodging establishment or public food service establishment, the operator of such establishment may call upon any law enforcement officer of this state for assistance. It is the duty of such law enforcement officer, upon the request of such operator, to place under arrest and take into custody for violation of this section any guest who violates subsection (3) in the presence of the officer. If a warrant has been issued by the proper judicial officer for the arrest of any violator of subsection (3), the officer shall serve the warrant, arrest the person, and take the person into custody. 31 Upon arrest, with or without warrant, the guest will be deemed

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to have given up any right to occupancy or to have abandoned such right of occupancy of the premises, and the operator of the establishment may then make such premises available to other guests. However, the operator of the establishment shall employ all reasonable and proper means to care for any personal property which may be left on the premises by such quest and shall refund any unused portion of moneys paid by such guest for the occupancy of such premises.

Section 25. Section 509.142, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

509.142 Conduct on premises; refusal of service.--The operator of a public lodging establishment or public food service establishment may refuse accommodations or service to any person whose conduct on the premises of the establishment displays intoxication, profanity, lewdness, or brawling; who indulges in language or conduct such as to disturb the peace or comfort of other guests; who engages in illegal or disorderly conduct; who illegally possesses or deals in controlled substances as defined in chapter 893; or whose conduct constitutes a nuisance. Such refusal may not be based upon race, creed, color, sex, physical disability, or national origin.

Subsection (1) of section 509.151, Florida Section 26. Statutes, is amended to read:

509.151 Obtaining food or lodging with intent to defraud; penalty .--

(1) Any person who obtains food, lodging, or other accommodations having a value of less than \$300 at any public food service establishment, or at any transient establishment, with intent to defraud the operator thereof, is guilty of a 31 misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s.

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775.082 or s. 775.083; if such food, lodging, or other accommodations have a value of \$300 or more, such person is guilty of a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

Section 27. Subsections (1), (2), and (3) of section 509.162, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

509.162 Theft of personal property; detaining and arrest of violator; theft by employee. --

- (1) Any law enforcement officer or operator of a public lodging establishment or public food service establishment who has probable cause to believe that theft of personal property belonging to such establishment has been committed by a person and that the officer or operator can recover such property or the reasonable value thereof by taking the person into custody may, for the purpose of attempting to effect such recovery or for prosecution, take such person into custody on the premises and detain such person in a reasonable manner and for a reasonable period of time. If the operator takes the person into custody, a law enforcement officer shall be called to the scene immediately. The taking into custody and detention by a law enforcement officer or operator of a public lodging establishment or public food service establishment, if done in compliance with this subsection, does not render such law enforcement officer or operator criminally or civilly liable for false arrest, false imprisonment, or unlawful detention.
- (2) Any law enforcement officer may arrest, either on or off the premises and without warrant, any person if there is probable cause to believe that person has committed theft in a public lodging establishment or in a public food service 31 establishment.

(3) Any person who resists the reasonable effort of a law enforcement officer or operator of a public lodging establishment or public food service establishment to recover property which the law enforcement officer or operator had probable cause to believe had been stolen from the public lodging establishment or public food service establishment, and who is subsequently found to be guilty of theft of the subject property, is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083, unless such person did not know, or did not have reason to know, that the person seeking to recover the property was a law enforcement officer or the operator. For purposes of this section, the charge of theft and the charge of resisting apprehension may be tried concurrently.

Section 28. Section 509.191, Florida Statutes, 1998 Supplement, is amended to read:

509.191 Unclaimed property.--Any property with an identifiable owner which is left in a public lodging establishment or public food service establishment, other than property belonging to a guest who has vacated the premises without notice to the operator and with an outstanding account, which property remains unclaimed after being held by the establishment for 30 days after written notice to the guest or owner of the property, shall become the property of the establishment. Property without an identifiable owner which is found in a public lodging establishment or public food service establishment is subject to the provisions of chapter 705.

Section 29. Subsections (2) and (3) of section 509.211, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
509.211 Safety regulations.--

- (2) The division, or its agent, shall immediately notify the local firesafety authority or the State Fire Marshal of any major violation of a rule adopted under chapter 633 which relates to public lodging establishments or public food service establishments. The division may impose administrative sanctions for violations of these rules pursuant to s. 509.261 or may refer such violations to the local firesafety authorities for enforcement.
- (3)(a) It is unlawful for any person to use within any public lodging establishment or public food service establishment any fuel-burning wick-type equipment for space heating unless such equipment is vented so as to prevent the accumulation of toxic or injurious gases or liquids.
- (b) Any person who violates the provisions of paragraph (a) is guilty of a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

Section 30. Section 509.2112, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

509.2112 Public lodging establishments three stories or more in height; inspection rules.—The Division of <u>Public Lodging Hotels and Restaurants</u> of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation is directed to provide rules to require that:

- (1) Every public lodging establishment that is three stories or more in height in the state file a certificate stating that any and all balconies, platforms, stairways, and railways have been inspected by a person competent to conduct such inspections and are safe, secure, and free of defects.
- (2) The information required under subsection (1) be filed commencing January 1, 1991, and every 3 years thereafter, with the Division of Public Lodging Hotels and

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Restaurants and the applicable county or municipal authority responsible for building and zoning permits.

(3) If a public lodging establishment that is three or more stories in height fails to file the information required in subsection (1), the Division of Public Lodging Hotels and Restaurants shall impose administrative sanctions pursuant to s. 509.261.

Section 31. Subsection (6) of section 509.215, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

509.215 Firesafety.--

- (6)(a) Special exception to the provisions of this section shall be made for a public lodging establishment structure that is individually listed in the National Register of Historic Places pursuant to the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended; or is a contributing property to a National Register-listed district; or is designated as a historic property, or as a contributing property to a historic district under the terms of a local preservation ordinance.
- (b) For such structures, provisions shall be made for a system of fire protection and lifesafety support that would meet the intent of the NFPA standards and be acceptable to, and approved by, a task force composed of the director of the Division of Public Lodging Hotels and Restaurants, the director of the Division of State Fire Marshal, and the State Historic Preservation Officer. When recommending alternative systems, the task force shall consider systems which would not disturb, destroy, or alter the integrity of such historic structures. The director of the Division of State Fire Marshal shall be designated chairperson of the task force and shall 31 record the minutes of each task force meeting, which shall be

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called in a timely manner to review requests for special provision considerations under this subsection.

(c) The task force shall, no later than November 1, 1996, report to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives any legislative recommendations for providing a standard system of fire protection and lifesafety support alternatives for historic public lodging establishments, including bed and breakfast inns, that would meet the intent of the NFPA standards. In making its report the task force shall consider which, if any, bed and breakfast inn operations may be exempted from the firesafety requirements of this section.

Section 32. Subsections (1), (2), and (5) of section 509.221, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

509.221 Sanitary regulations.--

- (1) Each public lodging establishment and each public food service establishment shall be supplied with potable water and shall provide adequate sanitary facilities for the accommodation of its employees and guests. Such facilities may include, but are not limited to, showers, handwash basins, toilets, and bidets. Such sanitary facilities shall be connected to approved plumbing. Such plumbing shall be sized, installed, and maintained in accordance with applicable state and local plumbing codes. Wastewater or sewage shall be properly treated onsite or discharged into an approved sewage collection and treatment system.
- (2)(a) Each public lodging establishment and each public food service establishment shall maintain not less than one public bathroom for each sex, properly designated, unless otherwise provided by rule. The division shall establish by 31 | rule categories of establishments not subject to the bathroom

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requirement of this paragraph. Such rules may not alter the exemption provided for theme parks in paragraph (b).

- (b) Within a theme park or entertainment complex as defined in s. 509.013 s. 509.013(9), the bathrooms are not required to be in the same building as the public food service establishment, so long as they are reasonably accessible.
- (c) Each transient establishment that does not provide private or connecting bathrooms shall maintain one public bathroom on each floor for every 15 guests, or major fraction of that number, rooming on that floor.
- (5) Each transient establishment and each public food service establishment shall provide in the main public bathroom soap and clean towels or other approved hand-drying devices and each public lodging establishment shall furnish each guest with two clean individual towels so that two guests will not be required to use the same towel unless it has first been laundered.

Section 33. Section 509.241, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

509.241 Licenses required; exceptions.--

(1) LICENSES; ANNUAL RENEWALS. -- Each public lodging establishment must and public food service establishment shall obtain a license from the division. Such license may not be transferred from one place or individual to another. be a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083, for such an establishment to operate without a license. Local law enforcement shall provide immediate assistance in pursuing an illegally operating establishment. The division may refuse a license, or a renewal thereof, to any establishment that is not constructed 31 and maintained in accordance with law and with the rules of

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the division. The division may refuse to issue a license, or a renewal thereof, to any establishment an operator of which, within the preceding 5 years, has been adjudicated guilty of, or has forfeited a bond when charged with, any crime reflecting on professional character, including soliciting for prostitution, pandering, letting premises for prostitution, keeping a disorderly place, or illegally dealing in controlled substances as defined in chapter 893, whether in this state or in any other jurisdiction within the United States, or has had a license denied, revoked, or suspended pursuant to s. 400.414. Licenses shall be renewed annually, and the division shall adopt a rule establishing a staggered schedule for license renewals. If any license expires while administrative charges are pending against the license, the proceedings against the license shall continue to conclusion as if the license were still in effect.

- (2) APPLICATION FOR LICENSE. -- Each person who plans to open a public lodging establishment must or a public food service establishment shall apply for and receive a license from the division prior to the commencement of operation. condominium association, as defined in s. 718.103, which does not own any units classified as resort condominiums under s. 509.242(1)(c) shall not be required to apply for or receive a public lodging establishment license.
- (3) DISPLAY OF LICENSE. -- Any license issued by the division shall be conspicuously displayed in the office or lobby of the licensed establishment. Public food service establishments which offer catering services shall display their license number on all advertising for catering services.

Section 34. Section 509.251, Florida Statutes, is 31 amended to read:

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509.251 License fees.--

- (1) The division shall adopt, by rule, a schedule of fees to be paid by each public lodging establishment as a prerequisite to issuance or renewal of a license. Such fees shall be based on the number of rental units in the establishment but shall not exceed \$1,000. Resort condominium units within separate buildings or at separate locations but managed by one licensed agent may be combined in a single license application, and the division shall charge a license fee as if all units in the application are in a single licensed establishment. Resort dwelling units may be licensed in the same manner as condominium units. The fee schedule shall require an establishment which applies for an initial license to pay the full license fee if application is made during the annual renewal period or more than 6 months prior to the next such renewal period and one-half of the fee if application is made 6 months or less prior to such period. The fee schedule shall include fees collected for the purpose of funding the Hospitality Education Program, pursuant to s. 509.302, which are payable in full for each application regardless of when the application is submitted.
- (a) Upon making initial application or an application for change of ownership, the applicant shall pay to the division a fee as prescribed by rule, not to exceed \$50, in addition to any other fees required by law, which shall cover all costs associated with initiating regulation of the establishment.
- (b) A license renewal filed with the division within 30 days after the expiration date shall be accompanied by a delinquent fee as prescribed by rule, not to exceed \$50, in addition to the renewal fee and any other fees required by

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law. A license renewal filed with the division more than 30 but not more than 60 days after the expiration date shall be accompanied by a delinquent fee as prescribed by rule, not to exceed \$100, in addition to the renewal fee and any other fees required by law.

(2) The division shall adopt, by rule, a schedule of fees to be paid by each public food service establishment as a prerequisite to issuance or renewal of a license. The fee schedule shall prescribe a basic fee and additional fees based on seating capacity and services offered. The aggregate fee per establishment charged any public food service establishment may not exceed \$400. The fee schedule shall require an establishment which applies for an initial license to pay the full license fee if application is made during the annual renewal period or more than 6 months prior to the next such renewal period and one-half of the fee if application is made 6 months or less prior to such period. The fee schedule shall include fees collected for the purpose of funding the Hospitality Education Program, pursuant to s. 509.302, which are payable in full for each application regardless of when the application is submitted.

(a) Upon making initial application or an application for change of ownership, the applicant shall pay to the division a fee as prescribed by rule, not to exceed \$50, in addition to any other fees required by law, which shall cover all costs associated with initiating regulation of the establishment.

(b) A license renewal filed with the division within 30 days after the expiration date shall be accompanied by a delinquent fee as prescribed by rule, not to exceed \$50, in 31 addition to the renewal fee and any other fees required by

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law. A license renewal filed with the division more than 30 but not more than 60 days after the expiration date shall be accompanied by a delinquent fee as prescribed by rule, not to exceed \$100, in addition to the renewal fee and any other fees required by law.

(2) The fact that a public food service establishment is operated in conjunction with a public lodging establishment does not relieve the public food service establishment of the requirement that it be separately licensed as a public food service establishment.

(4) The actual costs associated with each epidemiological investigation conducted by the Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services in public food service establishments licensed pursuant to this chapter shall be accounted for and submitted to the division annually. The division shall journal transfer the total of all such amounts from the Hotel and Restaurant Trust Fund to the Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services annually; however, the total amount of such transfer may not exceed an amount equal to 5 percent of the annual public food service establishment licensure fees received by the division.

Section 35. Section 509.261, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

509.261 Revocation or suspension of licenses; fines; procedure. --

- (1) Any public lodging establishment or public food service establishment that has operated or is operating in violation of this chapter or the rules of the division, operating without a license, or operating with a suspended or revoked license may be subject by the division to:
 - (a) Fines not to exceed \$1,000 per offense;

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determined to be operating without a license. It is a

sign on any establishment judicially or administratively

(3) The division shall post a prominent

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(2) For the purposes of this section, the division may

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license issued pursuant to this chapter.

law or rule," as that term is defined by rule.

(c) The suspension, revocation, or refusal of a

regard as a separate offense each day or portion of a day on

which an establishment is operated in violation of a "critical

closed-for-operation sign on any public lodging establishment or public food service establishment, the license of which has

been suspended or revoked. The division shall also post such

operation without a license or to open for operation while its license is suspended or revoked. The division may impose

administrative sanctions for violations of this section.

- (4) All funds received by the division as satisfaction for administrative fines shall be paid into the State Treasury to the credit of the Public Lodging Hotel and Restaurant Trust Fund and may not subsequently be used for payment to any entity performing required inspections under contract with the
- (5)(a) A license may not be suspended under this section for a period of more than 12 months. At the end of 31 such period of suspension, the establishment may apply for

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reinstatement or renewal of the license. A public lodging establishment or public food service establishment, the license of which is revoked, may not apply for another license for that location prior to the date on which the revoked license would have expired.

- (b) The division may fine, suspend, or revoke the license of any public lodging establishment or public food service establishment if the operator knowingly lets, leases, or gives space for unlawful gambling purposes or permits unlawful gambling in such establishment or in or upon any premises which are used in connection with, and are under the same charge, control, or management as, such establishment.
- (6) The division may fine, suspend, or revoke the license of any public lodging establishment or public food service establishment when:
- (a) Any person with a direct financial interest in the licensed establishment, within the preceding 5 years in this state, any other state, or the United States, has been adjudicated guilty of or forfeited a bond when charged with soliciting for prostitution, pandering, letting premises for prostitution, keeping a disorderly place, illegally dealing in controlled substances as defined in chapter 893, or any other crime reflecting on professional character.
- (b) Such establishment has been deemed an imminent danger to the public health and safety by the division or local health authority for failure to meet sanitation standards or the premises have been determined by the division or local authority to be unsafe or unfit for human occupancy.
- (7) A person is not entitled to the issuance of a license for any public lodging establishment or public food 31 service establishment except in the discretion of the director

when the division has notified the current licenseholder for such premises that administrative proceedings have been or will be brought against such current licensee for violation of any provision of this chapter or rule of the division.

Section 36. Subsection (1) of section 509.281, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

509.281 Prosecution for violation; duty of state attorney; penalties.--

(1) The division or an agent of the division, upon ascertaining by inspection that any public lodging establishment or public food service establishment is being operated contrary to the provisions of this chapter, shall make complaint and cause the arrest of the violator, and the state attorney, upon request of the division or agent, shall prepare all necessary papers and conduct the prosecution. The division shall proceed in the courts by mandamus or injunction whenever such proceedings may be necessary to the proper enforcement of the provisions of this chapter, of the rules adopted pursuant hereto, or of orders of the division.

Section 37. Subsection (1) of section 509.291, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

509.291 Advisory council.--

- (1) There is created an 18-member advisory council.
- (a) The Secretary of Business and Professional Regulation shall appoint 11 voting members to the advisory council. Each member appointed by the secretary must be an operator of an establishment licensed under this chapter and shall represent the industries regulated by the division, except that one member appointed by the secretary must be a layperson and shall represent the general public. Such members of the council shall serve staggered terms of 4 years.

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- The division, the Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services, the Florida Hotel and Motel Association, the Florida Restaurant Association, the Florida Apartment Association, and the Florida Association of Realtors shall each designate one representative to serve as a voting member of the council, and one member appointed by the secretary must be appointed to represent nontransient public lodging establishments. In addition, one hospitality administration educator from an institution of higher education affiliated with the Hospitality Education Program pursuant to s. 509.302(2) shall serve for a term of 2 years as a voting member of the council. This single representative shall be designated on a rotating basis by the institution or institutions of higher education affiliated with this program pursuant to s. 509.302(2).
- (c) Any member who fails to attend three consecutive council meetings without good cause may be removed from the council by the secretary.

Section 38. Subsections (1), (2), (3), and (7) of section 509.302, Florida Statutes, 1998 Supplement, are amended to read:

509.302 Director of education, personnel, employment duties, compensation .--

- (1)The director shall, with the advice of the advisory council, employ a director of education for the public lodging and food service industry.
- (2) The director of education shall develop and implement an educational program, designated the "Hospitality Education Program," offered for the benefit of the entire industry. This program may affiliate with Florida State 31 | University, Florida International University, and the

 University of Central Florida. The program may also affiliate with any other member of the State University System or State Community College System, or with any privately funded college or university, which offers a program of hospitality administration and management. The primary goal of this program is to instruct and train all individuals and businesses licensed under this chapter, in cooperation with recognized associations that represent the licensees, in the application of state and federal laws and rules. Such programs shall also include:

- (a) Vocational training.
- (b) Management training.
- (c) Inservice continuing education programs.
- (d) Awareness of food-recovery programs, as promoted in s. 570.0725.
- $\underline{(d)}$ (e) Such other programs as may be deemed appropriate by the director of the division, the advisory council, and the director of education.
- (3) All public lodging establishments and all public food service establishments licensed under this chapter shall pay an annual fee of no more than \$6 which shall be included in the annual license fee and which shall be used for the sole purpose of funding the Hospitality Education Program.
- (7) The director of education, with the approval of the director and with the consent of the advisory council, may designate funds, not to exceed \$150,000 annually, to support school-to-career transition programs available through statewide organizations in the hospitality services field. Such programs shall be designed to prepare students for progressive careers in the hospitality industry. The director of education, with the approval of the director and with the

consent of the advisory council, may also designate funds, not to exceed \$50,000 annually, to support food safety training programs available through statewide organizations in the hospitality services field, and not to exceed \$50,000 annually, to support nontransient public lodging training programs available through statewide organizations in the public lodging services field.

- (a) The director of education shall have supervision over the administration of the programs set forth in this subsection and shall report the status of the programs at all meetings of the advisory council and at such other times as are prescribed by the advisory council.
- (b) The division shall adopt rules providing the criteria for program approval and the procedures for processing program applications. The criteria and procedures shall be approved by the advisory council.

Section 39. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) and subsection (4) of section 386.205, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

386.205 Designation of smoking areas.--

(2)(a) A smoking area may not be designated in an elevator, school bus, public means of mass transportation subject only to state smoking regulation, restroom, hospital, doctor's or dentist's waiting room, jury deliberation room, county health department, day care center, school or other educational facility, or any common area as defined in s. 386.203, or any public food service establishment as defined in s. 509.013. However, a patient's room in a hospital, nursing home, or other health care facility may be designated as a smoking area if such designation is ordered by the

attending physician and agreed to by all patients assigned to that room.

(4) No more than one-half of the total square footage in any public place within a single enclosed indoor area used for a common purpose shall be reserved and designated as a smoking area. This square footage limitation does not apply to restaurants as defined in s. 386.203(1)(p). However, such a restaurant must ensure that no more than 65 percent of the seats existing in its dining room at any time are located in an area designated as a smoking area.

Section 40. The administrative rules of the agencies involved in this reorganization which are in effect immediately before the effective date of this act shall remain in effect until specifically changed in the manner provided by law.

Section 41. This act shall not affect the validity of any judicial or administrative proceeding pending on the effective date of this act, and any agency to which are transferred the powers, duties, and functions relating to the pending proceeding shall be substituted as a party in interest for that proceeding.

Section 42. Sections 509.213, 509.214, 509.232, and 509.292, Florida Statutes, are transferred and renumbered, respectively, as sections 381.0075, 381.0076, 381.0077, and 381.0078, Florida Statutes.

Section 43. Paragraph (p) of subsection (1) of section 386.203 and sections 509.036, 509.039, and 509.049, Florida Statutes, are repealed.

Section 44. <u>Effective July 1, 1999, the Secretary of Health and the Secretary of Business and Professional</u>
Regulation shall each appoint three staff members to a

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restaurant program transition advisory committee. The members
   of the committee must represent staff of the respective
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   department, including representatives from the headquarter's
    level and local field staff, who are involved in the
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   transferred functions. In addition, the two secretaries shall
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    jointly appoint one person to represent the restaurant
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    industry on the committee. The Secretary of Health shall
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   designate a member of the committee to serve as committee
    chair. The purpose of the committee is to prepare for the
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   transfer of regulatory responsibilities relating to
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   restaurants from the Department of Business and Professional
   Regulation to the Department of Health. The committee shall
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   be located, for administrative purposes, in the Department of
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   Health.
          (1) By September 15, 1999, the committee shall
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   prescribe a schedule of transition activities and functions
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   with respect to the transfer of responsibilities.
   schedule must, at a minimum, address: office space,
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   information support systems, cash ownership and transfer,
    administrative support functions, inventory and transfer of
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   equipment and supplies, expenditure transfers, budget
    authority and positions, and certifications forward.
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              The committee shall review current regulatory
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   activities and make recommendations regarding consolidation of
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   any needed modifications in organizational structure.
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   committee shall report its findings, including recommendations
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    improve restaurant regulatory functions by the Department of
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   Health, to the Secretary of Health, the Governor, the
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President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by November 30, 2000. Section 45. Except as otherwise provided in this act and except for this section, which shall take effect upon becoming a law, this act shall take effect January 1, 2000. SENATE SUMMARY Transfers certain powers, duties, and functions of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation relating to public food service establishments to the Department of Health. Prohibits smoking in public food service establishments. (See bill for details.)