Florida House of Representatives - 2000 HB 849 By Representatives Argenio, Byrd, Fasano and Peaden

A bill to be entitled 1 2 An act relating to reprocessed medical devices; 3 authorizing use of certain reprocessed medical devices in the state; requiring federal 4 5 registration of reprocessors; requiring compliance with certain reprocessor б 7 requirements; providing an effective date. 8 9 WHEREAS, medical device manufacturers have designated certain medical devices as "single-use only," and 10 11 WHEREAS, a significant body of peer-reviewed scientific 12 research demonstrates that some medical devices labeled as 13 "single-use only" can be properly reprocessed and reused, with 14 no added risk to patient safety, and 15 WHEREAS, the unnecessary disposal of certain medical 16 devices labeled as "single-use only" exacerbates Florida's growing environmental waste problem and leads to increased 17 medical care costs, and 18 WHEREAS, proper reprocessing of certain medical devices 19 20 labeled as "single-use only" is a patient-safe practice that 21 enables Florida hospitals to achieve significant cost savings, 22 NOW, THEREFORE, 23 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 24 25 26 Section 1. The use of reprocessed medical devices, 27 originally labeled as "single-use only," is permitted in the 28 state, provided that reprocessors of such devices are 29 registered with the United States Food and Drug Administration and such reprocessing is performed in compliance with the 30 31

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reprocessor requirements enforced by the United States Food and Drug Administration. Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law. б HOUSE SUMMARY Authorizes the use in the state of reprocessed medical devices originally labeled "single-use only," provided the reprocessor is registered with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and the devices have been reprocessed in compliance with requirements of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. 

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