

By Representative Frankel

1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to prevention and control of
3 communicable diseases; amending s. 381.003,
4 F.S.; requiring the Department of Health to
5 adopt certain standards applicable to all
6 public-sector employers; requiring the
7 compilation and maintenance of certain
8 information by the department for use by
9 employers; providing an effective date.

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Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Subsection (3) is added to section 381.003, Florida Statutes, to read:

381.003 Communicable disease and AIDS prevention and control.--

(3) The department shall by rule adopt the blood-borne-pathogen standard set forth in subpart Z of 29 C.F.R. part 1910, as amended by Pub. L. No. 106-430, which shall apply to all public-sector employers. The department shall compile and maintain a list of existing needleless systems and sharps with engineered sharps-injury protection which shall be available to assist employers, including the department and the Department of Corrections, in complying with the applicable requirements of the blood-borne-pathogen standard. The list may be developed from existing sources of information, including, without limitation, the United States Food and Drug Administration, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, and the United States Department of Veterans Affairs.

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Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2002.

SENATE SUMMARY

Requires that the Department of Health adopt by rule a blood-borne-pathogen standard for public-sector employers. Requires the department to compile and maintain a list of needleless systems and sharps with engineered sharps-injury protection for use by employers, the department, and the Department of Corrections.