21-692-02 See HB 415

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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to prostitution; amending s. 796.07, F.S.; requiring certain offenders to be screened for substance abuse; requiring an offender who tests positive for substance abuse to attend a treatment program under certain circumstances; providing requirements for sentencing a defendant for failure to complete the treatment program; providing an effective date.

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

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Section 1. Section 796.07, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

796.07 Prohibiting prostitution, etc.; evidence; penalties; definitions. --

- (1) As used in this section:
- (a) "Prostitution" means the giving or receiving of the body for sexual activity for hire but excludes sexual activity between spouses.
 - "Lewdness" means any indecent or obscene act. (b)
- "Assignation" means the making of any appointment or engagement for prostitution or lewdness, or any act in furtherance of such appointment or engagement.
- "Sexual activity" means oral, anal, or vaginal penetration by, or union with, the sexual organ of another; anal or vaginal penetration of another by any other object; or the handling or fondling of the sexual organ of another for the purpose of masturbation; however, the term does not
- include acts done for bona fide medical purposes. 31

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(2) It is unlawful:

- (a) To own, establish, maintain, or operate any place, structure, building, or conveyance for the purpose of lewdness, assignation, or prostitution.
- (b) To offer, or to offer or agree to secure, another for the purpose of prostitution or for any other lewd or indecent act.
- (c) To receive, or to offer or agree to receive, any person into any place, structure, building, or conveyance for the purpose of prostitution, lewdness, or assignation, or to permit any person to remain there for such purpose.
- (d) To direct, take, or transport, or to offer or agree to direct, take, or transport, any person to any place, structure, or building, or to any other person, with knowledge or reasonable cause to believe that the purpose of such directing, taking, or transporting is prostitution, lewdness, or assignation.
- (e) To offer to commit, or to commit, or to engage in, prostitution, lewdness, or assignation.
- (f) To solicit, induce, entice, or procure another to commit prostitution, lewdness, or assignation.
- (g) To reside in, enter, or remain in, any place, structure, or building, or to enter or remain in any conveyance, for the purpose of prostitution, lewdness, or assignation.
- (h) To aid, abet, or participate in any of the acts or things enumerated in this subsection.
- (i) To purchase the services of any person engaged in prostitution.
- (3) In the trial of a person charged with a violation 31 of this section, testimony concerning the reputation of any

place, structure, building, or conveyance involved in the charge, testimony concerning the reputation of any person residing in, operating, or frequenting such place, structure, building, or conveyance, and testimony concerning the reputation of the defendant is admissible in evidence in support of the charge.

- (4) A person who violates any provision of this section commits:
- (a) A misdemeanor of the second degree for a first violation, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.
- (b) A misdemeanor of the first degree for a second or subsequent violation, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083. An offender referred to treatment under subsection (5) who fails to report for and complete the substance abuse treatment program shall be sentenced under this paragraph to a term of imprisonment, at the discretion of the judge.
- (c) A misdemeanor of the first degree for a third or subsequent violation, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083. An offender referred to treatment under subsection 5) who fails to report for and complete the substance abuse treatment program shall be sentenced under this paragraph to the maximum term of imprisonment.
- (5) A person who violates the provisions of this section two or more times shall undergo screening and evaluation for substance abuse prior to sentencing. After screening and evaluation for substance abuse, he or she shall enter into an authorized substance abuse treatment program, if recommended.

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

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