A bill to be entitled

An act relating to sexual and career offenders; amending s. 775.21, F.S.; revising the definition of "institution of higher education" to include a career center; revising provisions relating to use of prior felonies for sexual predator determination; amending s. 775.261, F.S.; revising an operational date used for career offender registration; expanding applicability of registration requirements; amending s. 943.0435, F.S.; revising language relating to the definition of "sexual offender"; revising the definition of "institution of higher education" to include a career center; revising a provision relating to an offender's driver license or identification card renewal; amending s. 944.606, F.S.; revising language relating to the definition of "sexual offender"; amending s. 944.607, F.S.; revising language relating to the definition of "sexual offender"; revising the definition of "institution of higher education" to include a career center; providing an effective date.

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Section 1. Paragraph (h) of subsection (2), paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (4), paragraph (d) of subsection (5), and paragraph (b) of subsection (10) of section 775.21, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

775.21 The Florida Sexual Predators Act.--

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

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(h) "Institution of higher education" means a <u>career</u> <u>center</u>, community college, college, state university, or independent postsecondary institution.

- (4) SEXUAL PREDATOR CRITERIA. --
- (a) For a current offense committed on or after October 1, 1993, upon conviction, an offender shall be designated as a "sexual predator" under subsection (5), and subject to registration under subsection (6) and community and public notification under subsection (7) if:
  - 1. The felony is:

- a. A capital, life, or first-degree felony violation, or any attempt thereof, of s. 787.01 or s. 787.02, where the victim is a minor and the defendant is not the victim's parent, or of chapter 794, s. 800.04, or s. 847.0145, or a violation of a similar law of another jurisdiction; or
- b. Any felony violation, or any attempt thereof, of s. 787.01, s. 787.02, or s. 787.025, where the victim is a minor and the defendant is not the victim's parent; chapter 794, excluding ss. 794.011(10) and 794.0235; s. 796.03; s. 796.035; s. 800.04; s. 825.1025(2)(b); s. 827.071; excluding ss. 847.0145; or s. 985.4045(1); or a violation of a similar law of another jurisdiction, and the offender has previously been convicted of or found to have committed, or has pled nolo contendere or guilty to, regardless of adjudication, any violation of s. 787.01, s. 787.02, or s. 787.025, where the victim is a minor and the defendant is not the victim's parent; s. 794.011(2), (3), (4), (5), or (8); s. 794.05; s. 796.03; s. 796.035; s. 800.04; s. 825.1025; s. 827.071; s. 847.0133; s. 847.0135; ex s.

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847.0145; or s. 985.4045(1); or a violation of a similar law of another jurisdiction;

- 2. The offender has not received a pardon for any felony or similar law of another jurisdiction that is necessary for the operation of this paragraph; and
- 3. A conviction of a felony or similar law of another jurisdiction necessary to the operation of this paragraph has not been set aside in any postconviction proceeding.
- (b) In order to be counted as a prior felony for purposes of this subsection, the felony must have resulted in a conviction sentenced separately, or an adjudication of delinquency entered separately, prior to the current offense and sentenced or adjudicated separately from any other felony conviction that is to be counted as a prior felony regardless of the date of offense of the prior felony.
- (5) SEXUAL PREDATOR DESIGNATION.--An offender is designated as a sexual predator as follows:
- (d) A person who establishes or maintains a residence in this state and who has not been designated as a sexual predator by a court of this state but who has been designated as a sexual predator, as a sexually violent predator, or by another sexual offender designation in another state or jurisdiction and was, as a result of such designation, subjected to registration or community or public notification, or both, or would be if the person was a resident of that state or jurisdiction, without regard to whether the person otherwise meets the criteria for registration as a sexual offender, shall register in the manner provided in s. 943.0435 or s. 944.607 and shall be subject to

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community and public notification as provided in s. 943.0435 or s. 944.607. A person who meets the criteria of this section is subject to the requirements and penalty provisions of s. 943.0435 or s. 944.607 until the person provides the department with an order issued by the court that designated the person as a sexual predator, as a sexually violent predator, or by another sexual offender designation in the state or jurisdiction in which the order was issued which states that such designation has been removed or demonstrates to the department that such designation, if not imposed by a court, has been removed by operation of law or court order in the state or jurisdiction in which the designation was made, and provided such person no longer meets the criteria for registration as a sexual offender under the laws of this state.

## (10) PENALTIES.--

(b) A sexual predator who has been convicted of or found to have committed, or has pled nolo contendere or guilty to, regardless of adjudication, any violation, or attempted violation, of s. 787.01, s. 787.02, or s. 787.025, where the victim is a minor and the defendant is not the victim's parent; s. 794.011(2), (3), (4), (5), or (8); s. 794.05; s. 796.03; s. 796.035; s. 800.04; s. 827.071; s. 847.0133; er s. 847.0145; or s. 985.4045(1); or a violation of a similar law of another jurisdiction, when the victim of the offense was a minor, and who works, whether for compensation or as a volunteer, at any business, school, day care center, park, playground, or other place where children regularly congregate, commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s.

113 775.083, or s. 775.084.

Section 2. Paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of section 775.261, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- 775.261 The Florida Career Offender Registration Act.--
- (3) CRITERIA FOR REGISTRATION AS A CAREER OFFENDER.--
- January 1, 2003, from a sanction imposed in this state for a designation as a habitual violent felony offender, a violent career criminal, or a three-time violent felony offender under s. 775.084 or as a prison releasee reoffender under s. 775.082(9) must register as required under subsection (4) and is subject to community and public notification as provided under subsection (5). For purposes of this section, a sanction imposed in this state includes, but is not limited to, a fine, probation, community control, parole, conditional release, control release, or incarceration in a state prison, private correctional facility, or local detention facility, and:
- 1. The career offender has not received a pardon for any felony or other qualified offense that is necessary for the operation of this paragraph; or
- 2. A conviction of a felony or other qualified offense necessary to the operation of this paragraph has not been set aside in any postconviction proceeding.
- Section 3. Paragraphs (a) and (d) of subsection (1), paragraph (a) of subsection (4), and paragraph (c) of subsection (11) of section 943.0435, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
- 943.0435 Sexual offenders required to register with the department; penalty.--

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

- (a) "Sexual offender" means a person who meets the
  criteria in subparagraph 1., subparagraph 2., or subparagraph
  3., as follows:
- 1.a. Has been convicted of committing, or attempting, soliciting, or conspiring to commit, any of the criminal offenses proscribed in the following statutes in this state or similar offenses in another jurisdiction: s. 787.01, s. 787.02, or s. 787.025, where the victim is a minor and the defendant is not the victim's parent; chapter 794, excluding ss. 794.011(10) and 794.0235; s. 796.03; s. 796.035; s. 800.04; s. 825.1025; s. 827.071; s. 847.0133; s. 847.0135; s. 847.0137; s. 847.0138; s. 847.0145; or s. 985.4045(1); or any similar offense committed in this state which has been redesignated from a former statute number to one of those listed in this sub-subparagraph subparagraph; and
- <u>b.2.</u> Has been released on or after October 1, 1997, from the sanction imposed for any conviction of an offense described in <u>sub-subparagraph a.</u> <u>subparagraph 1.</u> For purposes of <u>sub-subparagraph a.</u> <u>subparagraph 1.</u>, a sanction imposed in this state or in any other jurisdiction includes, but is not limited to, a fine, probation, community control, parole, conditional release, control release, or incarceration in a state prison, federal prison, private correctional facility, or local detention facility; <del>or</del>
- 2.3. Establishes or maintains a residence in this state and who has not been designated as a sexual predator by a court of this state but who has been designated as a sexual predator,

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as a sexually violent predator, or by another sexual offender designation in another state or jurisdiction and was, as a result of such designation, subjected to registration or community or public notification, or both, or would be if the person were a resident of that state or jurisdiction, without regard to whether the person otherwise meets the criteria for registration as a sexual offender; or

- 3.4. Establishes or maintains a residence in this state who is in the custody or control of, or under the supervision of, any other state or jurisdiction as a result of a conviction for committing, or attempting, soliciting, or conspiring to commit, any of the criminal offenses proscribed in the following statutes or similar offense in another jurisdiction: s. 787.01, s. 787.02, or s. 787.025, where the victim is a minor and the defendant is not the victim's parent; chapter 794, excluding ss. 794.011(10) and 794.0235; s. 796.03; s. 796.035; s. 800.04; s. 825.1025; s. 827.071; s. 847.0133; s. 847.0135; s. 847.0137; s. 847.0138; s. 847.0145; or s. 985.4045(1); or any similar offense committed in this state which has been redesignated from a former statute number to one of those listed in this subparagraph.
- (d) "Institution of higher education" means a <u>career</u> <u>center</u>, community college, college, state university, or independent postsecondary institution.
- (4)(a) Each time a sexual offender's driver's license or identification card is subject to renewal, and, without regard to the status of the <u>offender's predator's</u> driver's license or identification card, within 48 hours after any change in the

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offender's permanent or temporary residence or change in the offender's name by reason of marriage or other legal process, the offender shall report in person to a driver's license office, and shall be subject to the requirements specified in subsection (3). The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles shall forward to the department all photographs and information provided by sexual offenders. Notwithstanding the restrictions set forth in s. 322.142, the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles is authorized to release a reproduction of a color-photograph or digital-image license to the Department of Law Enforcement for purposes of public notification of sexual offenders as provided in ss. 943.043, 943.0435, and 944.606.

- (11) A sexual offender must maintain registration with the department for the duration of his or her life, unless the sexual offender has received a full pardon or has had a conviction set aside in a postconviction proceeding for any offense that meets the criteria for classifying the person as a sexual offender for purposes of registration. However, a sexual offender:
- (c) As defined in subparagraph (1)(a)2.3. must maintain registration with the department for the duration of his or her life until the person provides the department with an order issued by the court that designated the person as a sexual predator, as a sexually violent predator, or by another sexual offender designation in the state or jurisdiction in which the order was issued which states that such designation has been removed or demonstrates to the department that such designation,

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if not imposed by a court, has been removed by operation of law or court order in the state or jurisdiction in which the designation was made, and provided such person no longer meets the criteria for registration as a sexual offender under the laws of this state.

Section 4. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 944.606, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

944.606 Sexual offenders; notification upon release. --

(1) As used in this section:

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"Sexual offender" means a person who has been (b) convicted of committing, or attempting, soliciting, or conspiring to commit, any of the criminal offenses proscribed in the following statutes in this state or similar offenses in another jurisdiction: s. 787.01, s. 787.02, or s. 787.025, where the victim is a minor and the defendant is not the victim's parent; chapter 794, excluding ss. 794.011(10) and 794.0235; s. 796.03; s. 796.035; s. 800.04; s. 825.1025; s. 827.071; s. 847.0133; s. 847.0135; s. 847.0137; s. 847.0138; s. 847.0145; or s. 985.4045(1); or any similar offense committed in this state which has been redesignated from a former statute number to one of those listed in this subsection, when the department has received verified information regarding such conviction; an offender's computerized criminal history record is not, in and of itself, verified information.

Section 5. Paragraphs (a) and (c) of subsection (1) of section 944.607, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

944.607 Notification to Department of Law Enforcement of information on sexual offenders.--

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253 (1) As used in this section, the term:

- (a) "Sexual offender" means a person who is in the custody or control of, or under the supervision of, the department or is in the custody of a private correctional facility:
- 1. On or after October 1, 1997, as a result of a conviction for committing, or attempting, soliciting, or conspiring to commit, any of the criminal offenses proscribed in the following statutes in this state or similar offenses in another jurisdiction: s. 787.01, s. 787.02, or s. 787.025, where the victim is a minor and the defendant is not the victim's parent; chapter 794, excluding ss. 794.011(10) and 794.0235; s. 796.03; s. 796.035; s. 800.04; s. 825.1025; s. 827.071; s. 847.0133; s. 847.0135; s. 847.0137; s. 847.0138; s. 847.0145; or s. 985.4045(1); or any similar offense committed in this state which has been redesignated from a former statute number to one of those listed in this paragraph; or
- 2. Who establishes or maintains a residence in this state and who has not been designated as a sexual predator by a court of this state but who has been designated as a sexual predator, as a sexually violent predator, or by another sexual offender designation in another state or jurisdiction and was, as a result of such designation, subjected to registration or community or public notification, or both, or would be if the person were a resident of that state or jurisdiction, without regard as to whether the person otherwise meets the criteria for registration as a sexual offender.
- (c) "Institution of higher education" means a <u>career</u> <u>center</u>, community college, college, state university, or

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281 independent postsecondary institution.

Section 6. This act shall take effect July 1, 2006.

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