A bill to be entitled 1 2 An act relating to sexual offenders and predators; 3 amending s. 775.21, F.S.; revising sexual predator criteria; correcting a cross-reference; requiring sexual 4 predators to register with the Department of Law 5 Enforcement through a sheriff's office; deleting 6 7 provisions allowing certain predators to have predator 8 designation removed after a specified period; revising 9 references to applicable federal law; revising provisions relating to verification of addresses; providing specified 10 immunity to the Department of Juvenile Justice; amending 11 s. 775.261, F.S.; conforming provisions; providing for 12 application of a conforming amendment; amending s. 13 943.0435, F.S.; revising criteria for sexual offender 14 designation; revising the definition of the term 15 16 "conviction"; revising reporting requirements; revising references to applicable federal law; revising provisions 17 relating to verification of addresses; providing specified 18 19 immunity to the Department of Juvenile Justice; revising 20 provisions relating to petitions to allow certain offenders to remove the offender designation after a 21 specified period; creating s. 943.44353, F.S.; requiring 22 development and maintenance of a system to provide 23 24 automatic notification of registration information 25 regarding sexual predators and sexual offenders to the 26 public; amending s. 943.0515, F.S.; requiring retention of records of minors adjudicated delinquent of specified 27 sexual offenses; amending s. 944.606, F.S.; revising 28

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criteria for sexual offender designation; providing registration and notification duties for a custodian of a local jail regarding sexual offenders; amending s. 944.607, F.S.; revising the definition of a sexual offender for notification purposes; revising duties of clerks of court; revising registration requirements; providing registration and notification duties for a custodian of a local jail regarding sexual offenders; providing specified immunity to the Department of Juvenile Justice; requiring more frequent reregistration for specified offenders; amending s. 985.04, F.S.; providing that specified sexual predator and offender registration information is public record; amending s. 985.045, F.S.; conforming a provision; creating s. 985.481, F.S.; providing for notification upon release of specified juvenile sexual offenders; providing for availability of specified information concerning such offenders; providing immunity for specified officials; creating s. 985.4815, F.S.; providing for notification to the Department of Law Enforcement concerning specified juvenile sexual offenders; providing definitions; providing duties of clerks of court; providing registration requirements; requiring specified information to be made available to the Department of Law Enforcement; providing duties of a custodian of a local jail; providing for forwarding of information for specified offenders under federal supervision; providing penalties for failure to comply with requirements; providing venue for prosecution of

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specified offenses; providing for the effect of certain actions; providing that registration following certain actions does not provide a defense to specified charges; providing immunity for specified agencies and persons for certain actions; prohibiting certain acts concerning offenders; providing criminal penalties; providing reporting requirements for offenders; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Paragraphs (a) and (c) of subsection (4), paragraphs (a), (e), and (l) of subsection (6), subsections (8) and (9), and paragraph (b) of subsection (10) of section 775.21, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

775.21 The Florida Sexual Predators Act.--

- (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 guardian, or of chapter 794, s. 800.04, or s. 847.0145, or a violation of a similar law of another jurisdiction; or

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Any felony violation, or any attempt thereof, of s. 85 787.01, s. 787.02, or s. 787.025(2)(c), where the victim is a 86 87 minor and the defendant is not the victim's parent or guardian; chapter 794, excluding ss. 794.011(10) and 794.0235; s. 796.03; 88 89 s. 796.035; s. 800.04; s. 825.1025(2)(b); s. 827.071; s. 90 847.0145; or s. 985.701(1); or a violation of a similar law of 91 another jurisdiction, and the offender has previously been 92 convicted of or found to have committed, or has pled nolo 93 contendere or guilty to, regardless of adjudication, any violation of s. 787.01, s. 787.02, or s. 787.025(2)(c), where 94 the victim is a minor and the defendant is not the victim's 95 parent or guardian; s. 794.011(2), (3), (4), (5), or (8); s. 96 794.05; s. 796.03; s. 796.035; s. 800.04; s. 825.1025; s. 97 98 827.071; s. 847.0133; s. 847.0135; s. 847.0145; or s. 985.701(1); or a violation of a similar law of another 99 100 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.
- (c) If an offender has been registered as a sexual predator by the Department of Corrections, the department, or any other law enforcement agency and if:
- 1. The court did not, for whatever reason, make a written finding at the time of sentencing that the offender was a sexual predator; or

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2. The offender was administratively registered as a sexual predator because the Department of Corrections, the department, or any other law enforcement agency obtained information that indicated that the offender met the criteria for designation as a sexual predator based on a violation of a similar law in another jurisdiction,

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the department shall remove that offender from the department's list of sexual predators and, for an offender described under subparagraph 1., shall notify the state attorney who prosecuted the offense that met the criteria for administrative designation as a sexual predator, and, for an offender described under this paragraph subparagraph, shall notify the state attorney of the county where the offender establishes or maintains a permanent or temporary residence. The state attorney shall bring the matter to the court's attention in order to establish that the offender meets the criteria for designation as a sexual predator. If the court makes a written finding that the offender is a sexual predator, the offender must be designated as a sexual predator, must register or be registered as a sexual predator with the department as provided in subsection (6), and is subject to the community and public notification as provided in subsection (7). If the court does not make a written finding that the offender is a sexual predator, the offender may not be designated as a sexual predator with respect to that offense and is not required to register or be registered as a sexual predator with the department.

(6) REGISTRATION. --

(a) A sexual predator must register with the department through the sheriff's office by providing the following information to the department:

- 1. Name, social security number, age, race, sex, date of birth, height, weight, hair and eye color, photograph, address of legal residence and address of any current temporary residence, within the state or out of state, including a rural route address and a post office box, date and place of any employment, date and place of each conviction, fingerprints, and a brief description of the crime or crimes committed by the offender. A post office box shall not be provided in lieu of a physical residential address.
- a. If the sexual predator's place of residence is a motor vehicle, trailer, mobile home, or manufactured home, as defined in chapter 320, the sexual predator shall also provide to the department written notice of the vehicle identification number; the license tag number; the registration number; and a description, including color scheme, of the motor vehicle, trailer, mobile home, or manufactured home. If a sexual predator's place of residence is a vessel, live-aboard vessel, or houseboat, as defined in chapter 327, the sexual predator shall also provide to the department written notice of the hull identification number; the manufacturer's serial number; the name of the vessel, live-aboard vessel, or houseboat; the registration number; and a description, including color scheme, of the vessel, live-aboard vessel, or houseboat.
- b. If the sexual predator is enrolled, employed, or carrying on a vocation at an institution of higher education in

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this state, the sexual predator shall also provide to the department the name, address, and county of each institution, including each campus attended, and the sexual predator's enrollment or employment status. Each change in enrollment or employment status shall be reported in person at the sheriff's office, or the Department of Corrections if the sexual predator is in the custody or control of or under the supervision of the Department of Corrections, within 48 hours after any change in status. The sheriff or the Department of Corrections shall promptly notify each institution of the sexual predator's presence and any change in the sexual predator's enrollment or employment status.

- 2. Any other information determined necessary by the department, including criminal and corrections records; nonprivileged personnel and treatment records; and evidentiary genetic markers when available.
- (e) $\underline{1}$. If the sexual predator is not in the custody or control of, or under the supervision of, the Department of Corrections, or is not in the custody of a private correctional facility, the sexual predator shall register:
- a. At the sheriff's office in the county where he or she was sentenced within 48 hours after sentencing for an offense specified in this subsection; or
- b. At the sheriff's office in the county where he or she establishes or maintains a residence within 48 hours after establishing or maintaining a residence in the state.
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office in the county in which the predator establishes or maintains a residence, within 48 hours after establishing permanent or temporary residence in this state. Any change in the sexual predator's permanent or temporary residence or name, after the sexual predator registers in person at the sheriff's office, shall be accomplished in the manner provided in paragraphs (g), (i), and (j). When a sexual predator registers with the sheriff's office, the sheriff shall take a photograph and a set of fingerprints of the predator and forward the photographs and fingerprints to the department, along with the information that the predator is required to provide pursuant to this section.

A sexual predator must maintain registration with the department for the duration of his or her life, unless the sexual predator has received a full pardon or has had a conviction set aside in a postconviction proceeding for any offense that met the criteria for the sexual predator designation. However, a sexual predator who was designated as a sexual predator by a court before October 1, 1998, and who has been lawfully released from confinement, supervision, or sanction, whichever is later, for at least 10 years and has not been arrested for any felony or misdemeanor offense since release, may petition the criminal division of the circuit court in the circuit in which the sexual predator resides for the purpose of removing the sexual predator designation. A sexual predator who was designated a sexual predator by a court on or after October 1, 1998, who has been lawfully released from confinement, supervision, or sanction, whichever is later, for

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at least 20 years, and who has not been arrested for any felony or misdemeanor offense since release may petition the criminal division of the circuit court in the circuit in which the sexual predator resides for the purpose of removing the sexual predator designation. A sexual predator who was designated as a sexual predator by a court on or after September 1, 2005, who has been lawfully released from confinement, supervision, or sanction, whichever is later, for at least 30 years, and who has not been arrested for any felony or misdemeanor offense since release may petition the criminal division of the circuit court in the circuit in which the sexual predator resides for the purpose of removing the sexual predator designation. The court may grant or deny such relief if the petitioner demonstrates to the court that he or she has not been arrested for any crime since release, the requested relief complies with the provisions of the federal Jacob Wetterling Act, as amended, and any other federal standards applicable to the removal of the designation as a sexual predator or required to be met as a condition for the receipt of federal funds by the state, and the court is otherwise satisfied that the petitioner is not a current or potential threat to public safety. The state attorney in the circuit in which the petition is filed must be given notice of the petition at least 3 weeks before the hearing on the matter. The state attorney may present evidence in opposition to the requested relief or may otherwise demonstrate the reasons why the petition should be denied. If the court denies the petition, the court may set a future date at which the sexual predator may again petition the court for relief, subject to the standards

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for relief provided in this paragraph. Unless specified in the order, a sexual predator who is granted relief under this paragraph must comply with the requirements for registration as a sexual offender and other requirements provided under s.

943.0435 or s. 944.607. If a petitioner obtains an order from the court that imposed the order designating the petitioner as a sexual predator which removes such designation, the petitioner shall forward a certified copy of the written findings or order to the department in order to have the sexual predator designation removed from the sexual predator registry.

The sheriff shall promptly provide to the department the information received from the sexual predator.

Corrections shall implement a system for verifying the addresses of sexual predators. The system must be consistent with the provisions of the federal Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act of 2006 Jacob Wetterling Act, as amended, and any other federal standards applicable to such verification or required to be met as a condition for the receipt of federal funds by the state. The Department of Corrections shall verify the addresses of sexual predators who are not incarcerated but who reside in the community under the supervision of the Department of Corrections and shall report to the department any failure by a sexual predator to comply with registration requirements. County and local law enforcement agencies, in conjunction with the department, shall verify the addresses of sexual predators who

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are not under the care, custody, control, or supervision of the

Department of Corrections. Local law enforcement agencies shall report to the department any failure by a sexual predator to comply with registration requirements.

- (a) A sexual predator must report in person each year during the month of the sexual predator's birthday and during every third the sixth month thereafter following the sexual predator's birth month to the sheriff's office in the county in which he or she resides or is otherwise located to reregister. The sheriff's office may determine the appropriate times and days for reporting by the sexual predator, which shall be consistent with the reporting requirements of this paragraph. Reregistration shall include any changes to the following information:
- 1. Name; social security number; age; race; sex; date of birth; height; weight; hair and eye color; address of any permanent residence and address of any current temporary residence, within the state or out of state, including a rural route address and a post office box; date and place of any employment; vehicle make, model, color, and license tag number; fingerprints; and photograph. A post office box shall not be provided in lieu of a physical residential address.
- 2. If the sexual predator is enrolled, employed, or carrying on a vocation at an institution of higher education in this state, the sexual predator shall also provide to the department the name, address, and county of each institution, including each campus attended, and the sexual predator's enrollment or employment status.

3. If the sexual predator's place of residence is a motor vehicle, trailer, mobile home, or manufactured home, as defined in chapter 320, the sexual predator shall also provide the vehicle identification number; the license tag number; the registration number; and a description, including color scheme, of the motor vehicle, trailer, mobile home, or manufactured home. If the sexual predator's place of residence is a vessel, live-aboard vessel, or houseboat, as defined in chapter 327, the sexual predator shall also provide the hull identification number; the manufacturer's serial number; the name of the vessel, live-aboard vessel, or houseboat; the registration number; and a description, including color scheme, of the vessel, live-aboard vessel, or houseboat.

- (b) The sheriff's office shall, within 2 working days, electronically submit and update all information provided by the sexual predator to the department in a manner prescribed by the department. This procedure shall be implemented by December 1, 2005.
- (9) IMMUNITY.--The department, the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, the Department of Corrections, the Department of Juvenile Justice, any law enforcement agency in this state, and the personnel of those departments; an elected or appointed official, public employee, or school administrator; or an employee, agency, or any individual or entity acting at the request or upon the direction of any law enforcement agency is immune from civil liability for damages for good faith compliance with the requirements of this section or for the release of information under this section, and shall be presumed

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to have acted in good faith in compiling, recording, reporting, or releasing the information. The presumption of good faith is not overcome if a technical or clerical error is made by the department, the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, the Department of Corrections, the Department of Juvenile

Justice, the personnel of those departments, or any individual or entity acting at the request or upon the direction of any of those departments in compiling or providing information, or if information is incomplete or incorrect because a sexual predator fails to report or falsely reports his or her current place of permanent or temporary residence.

(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(2)(c), where the victim is a minor and the defendant is not the victim's parent or guardian; 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; s. 847.0145; or s. 985.701(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. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

Section 2. Paragraph (b) of subsection (3) of section

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775.261, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

775.261 The Florida Career Offender Registration Act.--

(3) CRITERIA FOR REGISTRATION AS A CAREER OFFENDER. --

- (b) This section does not apply to any person who has been designated as a sexual predator and required to register under s. 775.21 or who is required to register as a sexual offender under s. 943.0435 or s. 944.607. However, if a person is no longer required to register as a sexual predator under s. 775.21 or as a sexual offender under s. 943.0435 or s. 944.607, the person must register as a career offender under this section if the person is otherwise designated as a career offender as provided in this section.
- Statutes, made by this act applies prospectively and does not apply to a person whose requirement to register as a sexual predator under s. 775.21, Florida Statutes, was removed prior to the amendments to s. 775.21(6)(1), Florida Statutes, made by this act.
- Section 4. Paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (1) and subsections (2), (6), (10), (11), and (14) of section 943.0435, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
- 943.0435 Sexual offenders required to register with the department; penalty.--
 - (1) As used in this section, the term:
- (a) 1. "Sexual offender" means a person who meets the criteria in sub-subparagraph a., sub-subparagraph b., sub-subparagraph c., or sub-subparagraph d. subparagraph 1., subparagraph 2., or subparagraph 3., as follows:

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<u>a.(I)</u> 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(2)(c), where the victim is a minor and the defendant is not the victim's parent or guardian; chapter 794, excluding ss. 794.011(10), and 794.0235, 794.024, 794.027, 794.03, 794.05, 794.065, and 794.075; 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. 985.701(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-sub-subparagraph sub-subparagraph; and

(II) b. Has been released on or after October 1, 1997, from the sanction imposed for any conviction of an offense described in sub-sub-subparagraph (I) sub-subparagraph (I) sub-sub-subparagraph (I) <a href="mailto:sub

 $\underline{b.2.}$ 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

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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

- c.3. 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(2)(c), where the victim is a minor and the defendant is not the victim's parent or guardian; chapter 794, excluding ss. 794.011(10), and 794.0235, 794.024, 794.027, 794.03, 794.05, 794.065, and 794.075; 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. 985.701(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.
- d. Has been adjudicated delinquent for a violation committed on or after July 1, 2007, of chapter 794, excluding ss. 794.011(10), 794.0235, 794.024, 794.027, 794.03, 794.05, 794.065, and 794.075; any violation of s. 800.04 where the court finds the use of force, threat, or coercion by the offender, or resulting physical injury to the victim, or that the victim was unconscious, substantially impaired, or suffered a physical or mental disability resulting in a failure to appraise or control the situation; or any attempt or conspiracy to commit such

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offense or a violation of a similar law of another jurisdiction,
when the juvenile was 14 years of age or older at the time of
the offense.

- 2. A person does not meet the criteria for sexual offender designation and registration when the person was convicted of a first-time offense for sexual activity, lewd or lascivious molestation, or lewd or lascivious conduct in the following circumstances:
- a. The victim was 13 years of age or older and the offender was not more than 4 years older than the victim.
 - b. The court makes factual findings that:

- (I) The sexual activity, lewd or lascivious molestation, or lewd or lascivious conduct did not involve the use of force, threat, or coercion by the offender or result in physical injury to the victim.
- (II) The victim was not unconscious or substantially impaired of physical or mental ability to appraise or control the situation.
- (b) "Convicted" means that there has been a determination of guilt as a result of a trial or the entry of a plea of guilty or nolo contendere, regardless of whether adjudication is withheld, and includes an adjudication of delinquency of a juvenile as specified in this section. Conviction of a similar offense includes, but is not limited to, a conviction by a federal or military tribunal, including courts-martial conducted by the Armed Forces of the United States, and includes a conviction or entry of a plea of guilty or nolo contendere resulting in a sanction in any state of the United States or

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other jurisdiction. A sanction 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.

(2) A sexual offender shall:

- (a) Report in person at the sheriff's office in the county in which the offender establishes or maintains a permanent or temporary residence and within 48 hours after being sentenced for a qualifying offense for registration under this section, within 48 hours after establishing permanent or temporary residence in this state, or within 48 hours after being released from the custody, control, or supervision of the Department of Corrections or from the custody of a private correctional facility. Any change in the sexual offender's permanent or temporary residence or name, after the sexual offender reports in person at the sheriff's office, shall be accomplished in the manner provided in subsections (4), (7), and (8).
- (b) Provide his or her name, date of birth, social security number, race, sex, height, weight, hair and eye color, tattoos or other identifying marks, occupation and place of employment, address of permanent or legal residence or address of any current temporary residence, within the state and out of state, including a rural route address and a post office box, date and place of each conviction, and a brief description of the crime or crimes committed by the offender. A post office box shall not be provided in lieu of a physical residential address.

1. If the sexual offender's place of residence is a motor vehicle, trailer, mobile home, or manufactured home, as defined in chapter 320, the sexual offender shall also provide to the department through the sheriff's office written notice of the vehicle identification number; the license tag number; the registration number; and a description, including color scheme, of the motor vehicle, trailer, mobile home, or manufactured home. If the sexual offender's place of residence is a vessel, live-aboard vessel, or houseboat, as defined in chapter 327, the sexual offender shall also provide to the department written notice of the hull identification number; the manufacturer's serial number; the name of the vessel, live-aboard vessel, or houseboat; the registration number; and a description, including color scheme, of the vessel, live-aboard vessel, or houseboat.

2. If the sexual offender is enrolled, employed, or carrying on a vocation at an institution of higher education in this state, the sexual offender shall also provide to the department through the sheriff's office the name, address, and county of each institution, including each campus attended, and the sexual offender's enrollment or employment status. Each change in enrollment or employment status shall be reported in person at the sheriff's office, within 48 hours after any change in status. The sheriff shall promptly notify each institution of the sexual offender's presence and any change in the sexual offender's enrollment or employment status.

When a sexual offender reports at the sheriff's office, the sheriff shall take a photograph and a set of fingerprints of the

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offender and forward the photographs and fingerprints to the department, along with the information provided by the sexual offender. The sheriff shall promptly provide to the department the information received from the sexual offender.

- (6) County and local law enforcement agencies, in conjunction with the department, shall verify the addresses of sexual offenders who are not under the care, custody, control, or supervision of the Department of Corrections in a manner that is consistent with the provisions of the federal Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act of 2006 Jacob Wetterling Act, as amended, and any other federal standards applicable to such verification or required to be met as a condition for the receipt of federal funds by the state. Local law enforcement agencies shall report to the department any failure by a sexual predator to comply with registration requirements.
- Motor Vehicles, the Department of Corrections, the Department of Juvenile Justice, any law enforcement agency in this state, and the personnel of those departments; an elected or appointed official, public employee, or school administrator; or an employee, agency, or any individual or entity acting at the request or upon the direction of any law enforcement agency is immune from civil liability for damages for good faith compliance with the requirements of this section or for the release of information under this section, and shall be presumed to have acted in good faith in compiling, recording, reporting, or releasing the information. The presumption of good faith is not overcome if a technical or clerical error is made by the

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department, the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, the Department of Corrections, the Department of Juvenile Justice, the personnel of those departments, or any individual or entity acting at the request or upon the direction of any of those departments in compiling or providing information, or if information is incomplete or incorrect because a sexual offender fails to report or falsely reports his or her current place of permanent or temporary residence.

- (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:
- (a) 1. Who has been lawfully released from confinement, supervision, or sanction, whichever is later, for at least 25 20 years and has not been arrested for any felony or misdemeanor offense since release, provided that the sexual offender's requirement to register was not based upon an adult conviction for a violation of s. 787.01; s. 787.02; or chapter 794, excluding s. 794.05; any violation of s. 800.04 where the court finds the use of force, threat, or coercion by the offender, or resulting physical injury to the victim, or that the victim was unconscious, substantially impaired, or suffered a physical or mental disability resulting in a failure to appraise or control the situation; a violation of s. 800.04(5)(b); or any attempt or

(b) Who was 18 years of age or under at the time the offense was committed and the victim was 12 years of age or older and adjudication was withheld for that offense, who is released from all sanctions, who has had 10 years elapse since having been placed on probation, and who has not been arrested for any felony or misdemeanor offense since the date of conviction of the qualifying offense

may petition the criminal division of the circuit court of the circuit in which the sexual offender resides for the purpose of removing the requirement for registration as a sexual offender.

2. The court may grant or deny such relief if the offender demonstrates to the court that he or she has not been arrested for any crime since release; the requested relief complies with the provisions of the federal Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act of 2006 Jacob Wetterling Act, as amended, and any other federal standards applicable to the removal of registration requirements for a sexual offender or required to be met as a condition for the receipt of federal funds by the state; and the court is otherwise satisfied that the offender is not a current or potential threat to public safety. The state attorney in the circuit in which the petition is filed must be given notice of the petition at least 3 weeks before the hearing on the matter. The state attorney may present evidence in opposition to the requested relief or may otherwise demonstrate the reasons why the petition should be denied. If the court

denies the petition, the court may set a future date at which the sexual offender may again petition the court for relief, subject to the standards for relief provided in this subsection.

- 3. The department shall remove an offender from classification as a sexual offender for purposes of registration if the offender provides to the department a certified copy of the court's written findings or order that indicates that the offender is no longer required to comply with the requirements for registration as a sexual offender.
- (b)(c) As defined in <u>sub-subparagraph</u> (1)(a)1.b. <u>subparagraph</u> (1)(a)2. 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, 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.
- (14)(a) A sexual offender must report in person each year during the month of the sexual offender's birthday and during the sixth month following the sexual offender's birth month to the sheriff's office in the county in which he or she resides or is otherwise located to reregister.

(b) However, a sexual offender who is required to register as a result of a conviction for a violation of s. 787.01 or s. 787.02 where the victim is a minor and the offender is not the victim's parent or guardian; a violation of chapter 794, excluding ss. 794.011(10), 794.0235, 794.024, 794.027, 794.03, 794.05, 794.065, and 794.075; any violation of s. 800.04 where the court finds the use of force, threat, or coercion by the offender, or resulting physical injury to the victim, or that the victim was unconscious, substantially impaired, or suffered a physical or mental disability resulting in a failure to appraise or control the situation; a violation of s. 800.04(5)(b); or any attempt or conspiracy to commit such offense or a violation of a similar law of another jurisdiction must reregister each year during the month of the sexual offender's birthday and every third month thereafter.

- (c) The sheriff's office may determine the appropriate times and days for reporting by the sexual offender, which shall be consistent with the reporting requirements of this <u>subsection</u> paragraph. Reregistration shall include any changes to the following information:
- 1. Name; social security number; age; race; sex; date of birth; height; weight; hair and eye color; address of any permanent residence and address of any current temporary residence, within the state or out of state, including a rural route address and a post office box; date and place of any employment; vehicle make, model, color, and license tag number; fingerprints; and photograph. A post office box shall not be provided in lieu of a physical residential address.

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2. If the sexual offender is enrolled, employed, or carrying on a vocation at an institution of higher education in this state, the sexual offender shall also provide to the department the name, address, and county of each institution, including each campus attended, and the sexual offender's enrollment or employment status.

- 3. If the sexual offender's place of residence is a motor vehicle, trailer, mobile home, or manufactured home, as defined in chapter 320, the sexual offender shall also provide the vehicle identification number; the license tag number; the registration number; and a description, including color scheme, of the motor vehicle, trailer, mobile home, or manufactured home. If the sexual offender's place of residence is a vessel, live-aboard vessel, or houseboat, as defined in chapter 327, the sexual offender shall also provide the hull identification number; the manufacturer's serial number; the name of the vessel, live-aboard vessel, or houseboat; the registration number; and a description, including color scheme, of the vessel, live-aboard vessel or houseboat.
- 4. Any sexual offender who fails to report in person as required at the sheriff's office, or who fails to respond to any address verification correspondence from the department within 3 weeks of the date of the correspondence, commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.
- (d) (b) The sheriff's office shall, within 2 working days, electronically submit and update all information provided by the sexual offender to the department in a manner prescribed by the

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department. This procedure shall be implemented by December 1,

Section 5. Section 943.44353, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

943.44353 Automatic notification of registration information regarding sexual predators and offenders.--

- (1) The department shall develop and maintain a system to provide automatic notification of registration information regarding sexual predators and sexual offenders to the public.
- (2) In accordance with the federal Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act of 2006, schools, public housing agencies, agencies responsible for conducting employment-related background checks under s. 3 of the National Child Protection Act of 1993, 42 U.S.C. s. 5119a, as amended, social service entities responsible for protecting minors in the child welfare system, volunteer organizations in which contact with minors or other vulnerable individuals might occur, and any other such organization, company, or individual shall have access to the notification system.

Section 6. Subsection (3) is added to section 943.0515, Florida Statutes, to read:

- 943.0515 Retention of criminal history records of minors.--
- (3) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, the Criminal Justice Information Program shall retain the criminal history record of a minor adjudicated delinquent for a violation committed on or after July 1, 2007, of chapter 794, excluding ss. 794.0235, 794.024, 794.027, 794.03, 794.05,

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794.065, and 794.075; any violation of s. 800.04 where the court finds the use of force, threat, or coercion by the offender, or resulting physical injury to the victim, or that the victim was unconscious, substantially impaired, or suffered a physical or mental disability resulting in a failure to appraise or control the situation; or any attempt or conspiracy to commit such offense, when the minor was 14 years of age or older at the time of the offense. Such records shall not be destroyed and must be merged with the person's adult criminal history record and retained as a part of the person's adult record.

Section 7. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) and paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of section 944.606, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

944.606 Sexual offenders; notification upon release.--

(1) As used in this section:

(b) "Sexual offender" means a person who 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(2)(c), where the victim is a minor and the defendant is not the victim's parent or guardian; 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. 985.701(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

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such conviction; an offender's computerized criminal history record is not, in and of itself, verified information.

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- (3)(a) The department must provide information regarding any sexual offender who is being released after serving a period of incarceration for any offense, as follows:
- The department must provide: the sexual offender's name, any change in the offender's name by reason of marriage or other legal process, and any alias, if known; the correctional facility from which the sexual offender is released; the sexual offender's social security number, race, sex, date of birth, height, weight, and hair and eye color; date and county of sentence and each crime for which the offender was sentenced; a copy of the offender's fingerprints and a digitized photograph taken within 60 days before release; the date of release of the sexual offender; and the offender's intended residence address, if known. The department shall notify the Department of Law Enforcement if the sexual offender escapes, absconds, or dies. If the sexual offender is in the custody of a private correctional facility, the facility shall take the digitized photograph of the sexual offender within 60 days before the sexual offender's release and provide this photograph to the Department of Corrections and also place it in the sexual offender's file. If the sexual offender is in the custody of a local jail, the custodian of the local jail shall register the offender within 3 business days after intake of the offender for any reason and, upon release, notify the Department of Law Enforcement of the sexual offender's release and provide to the Department of Law Enforcement the information specified in this

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paragraph and any information specified in subparagraph 2. that the Department of Law Enforcement requests.

- 2. The department may provide any other information deemed necessary, including criminal and corrections records, nonprivileged personnel and treatment records, when available.
- Section 8. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) and subsections

 (3), (4), (7), (11), and (13) of section 944.607, Florida

 Statutes, are amended to read:
 - 944.607 Notification to Department of Law Enforcement of information on sexual offenders.--
 - (1) As used in this section, the term:

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- (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:
- On or after October 1, 1997, as a result of a 794 795 conviction for committing, or attempting, soliciting, or 796 conspiring to commit, any of the criminal offenses proscribed in 797 the following statutes in this state or similar offenses in 798 another jurisdiction: s. 787.01, s. 787.02, or s. 787.025(2)(c), where the victim is a minor and the defendant is not the 799 800 victim's parent or quardian; chapter 794, excluding ss. 801 794.011(10), and 794.0235, 794.024, 794.027, 794.03, 794.05, 802 794.065, and 794.075; 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. 803 847.0138; s. 847.0145; or s. 985.701(1); or any similar offense 804 committed in this state which has been redesignated from a 805 former statute number to one of those listed in this paragraph; 806 807 or

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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.

- (3) If a sexual offender is not sentenced to a term of imprisonment, the clerk of the court shall ensure that the sexual offender's fingerprints and sexual offender registration are taken and forwarded to the Department of Law Enforcement within 48 hours after the court sentences the offender. The fingerprint card shall be clearly marked "Sexual Offender Registration Card."
- (4) A sexual offender, as described in this section, who is under the supervision of the Department of Corrections but is not incarcerated must register with the Department of Corrections within 3 business days after sentencing for a registerable offense and otherwise provide information as required by this subsection.
- (a) The sexual offender shall provide his or her name; date of birth; social security number; race; sex; height; weight; hair and eye color; tattoos or other identifying marks; and permanent or legal residence and address of temporary residence within the state or out of state while the sexual

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offender is under supervision in this state, including any rural route address or post office box. The Department of Corrections shall verify the address of each sexual offender in the manner described in ss. 775.21 and 943.0435. The department shall report to the Department of Law Enforcement any failure by a sexual predator or sexual offender to comply with registration requirements.

- (b) If the sexual offender is enrolled, employed, or carrying on a vocation at an institution of higher education in this state, the sexual offender shall provide the name, address, and county of each institution, including each campus attended, and the sexual offender's enrollment or employment status. Each change in enrollment or employment status shall be reported to the department within 48 hours after the change in status. The Department of Corrections shall promptly notify each institution of the sexual offender's presence and any change in the sexual offender's enrollment or employment status.
- (7) If the sexual offender is in the custody of a local jail, the custodian of the local jail shall register the offender within 3 business days of intake of the offender for any reason and, upon release, forward the information to the Department of Law Enforcement. The custodian of the local jail shall also take a digitized photograph of the sexual offender while the offender remains in custody and shall provide the digitized photograph to the Department of Law Enforcement.
- (11) The department, the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, the Department of Law Enforcement, the Department of Corrections, the Department of Juvenile Justice,

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personnel of those departments, and any individual or entity acting at the request or upon the direction of those departments are immune from civil liability for damages for good faith compliance with this section, and shall be presumed to have acted in good faith in compiling, recording, reporting, or providing information. The presumption of good faith is not overcome if technical or clerical errors are made by the department, the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, the Department of Law Enforcement, the Department of Juvenile Justice, personnel of those departments, or any individual or entity acting at the request or upon the direction of those departments in compiling, recording, reporting, or providing information, or, if the information is incomplete or incorrect because the information has not been provided by a person or agency required to provide the information, or because the information was not reported or was falsely reported.

- (13)(a) A sexual offender must report in person each year during the month of the sexual offender's birthday and during the sixth month following the sexual offender's birth month to the sheriff's office in the county in which he or she resides or is otherwise located to reregister.
- (b) However, a sexual offender who is required to register as a result of a conviction for a violation of s. 787.01 or s. 787.02 where the victim is a minor and the offender is not the victim's parent or guardian; a violation of chapter 794, excluding ss. 794.011(10), 794.0235, 794.024, 794.027, 794.03, 794.05, 794.065, and 794.075; any violation of s. 800.04 where the court finds the use of force, threat, or coercion by the

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offender, or resulting physical injury to the victim, or that the victim was unconscious, substantially impaired, or suffered a physical or mental disability resulting in a failure to appraise or control the situation; a violation of s.

800.04(5)(b); or any attempt or conspiracy to commit such offense or a violation of a similar law of another jurisdiction must reregister each year during the month of the sexual offender's birthday and every third month thereafter.

- (c) The sheriff's office may determine the appropriate times and days for reporting by the sexual offender, which shall be consistent with the reporting requirements of this <u>subsection</u> paragraph. Reregistration shall include any changes to the following information:
- 1. Name; social security number; age; race; sex; date of birth; height; weight; hair and eye color; address of any permanent residence and address of any current temporary residence, within the state or out of state, including a rural route address and a post office box; date and place of any employment; vehicle make, model, color, and license tag number; fingerprints; and photograph. A post office box shall not be provided in lieu of a physical residential address.
- 2. If the sexual offender is enrolled, employed, or carrying on a vocation at an institution of higher education in this state, the sexual offender shall also provide to the department the name, address, and county of each institution, including each campus attended, and the sexual offender's enrollment or employment status.

3. If the sexual offender's place of residence is a motor vehicle, trailer, mobile home, or manufactured home, as defined in chapter 320, the sexual offender shall also provide the vehicle identification number; the license tag number; the registration number; and a description, including color scheme, of the motor vehicle, trailer, mobile home, or manufactured home. If the sexual offender's place of residence is a vessel, live-aboard vessel, or houseboat, as defined in chapter 327, the sexual offender shall also provide the hull identification number; the manufacturer's serial number; the name of the vessel, live-aboard vessel, or houseboat; the registration number; and a description, including color scheme, of the vessel, live-aboard vessel, or houseboat.

- 4. Any sexual offender who fails to report in person as required at the sheriff's office, or who fails to respond to any address verification correspondence from the department within 3 weeks of the date of the correspondence, commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, and s. 775.084.
- (d) (b) The sheriff's office shall, within 2 working days, electronically submit and update all information provided by the sexual offender to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement in a manner prescribed by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement. This procedure shall be implemented by December 1, 2005.
- Section 9. Subsection (6) of section 985.04, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
 - 985.04 Oaths; records; confidential information .--

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(6)(a) Records maintained by the department, including copies of records maintained by the court, which pertain to a child found to have committed a delinquent act which, if committed by an adult, would be a crime specified in ss. 435.03 and 435.04 may not be destroyed under this section for a period of 25 years after the youth's final referral to the department, except in cases of the death of the child. Such records, however, shall be sealed by the court for use only in meeting the screening requirements for personnel in s. 402.3055 and the other sections cited above, or under departmental rule; however, current criminal history information must be obtained from the Department of Law Enforcement in accordance with s. 943.053. The information shall be released to those persons specified in the above cited sections for the purposes of complying with those sections. The court may punish by contempt any person who releases or uses the records for any unauthorized purpose.

- (b) Sexual offender and predator registration information as required in ss. 775.21, 943.0435, 944.606, 944.607, 985.481, and 985.4815 is public record pursuant to s. 119.07(1) and as otherwise provided by law.
- Section 10. Subsection (2) of section 985.045, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

985.045 Court records.--

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(2) The clerk shall keep all official records required by this section separate from other records of the circuit court, except those records pertaining to motor vehicle violations, which shall be forwarded to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles. Except as provided in ss. 943.053, 985.04(6)(b),

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975 and 985.04(7), official records required by this chapter are not 976 open to inspection by the public, but may be inspected only upon 977 order of the court by persons deemed by the court to have a proper interest therein, except that a child and the parents, 978 979 quardians, or legal custodians of the child and their attorneys, 980 law enforcement agencies, the Department of Juvenile Justice and 981 its designees, the Parole Commission, the Department of 982 Corrections, and the Justice Administrative Commission shall 983 always have the right to inspect and copy any official record pertaining to the child. The court may permit authorized 984 985 representatives of recognized organizations compiling statistics 986 for proper purposes to inspect, and make abstracts from, 987 official records under whatever conditions upon the use and 988 disposition of such records the court may deem proper and may punish by contempt proceedings any violation of those 989 990 conditions.

991 Section 11. Section 985.481, Florida Statutes, is created 992 to read:

985.481 Sexual offenders adjudicated delinquent; notification upon release.--

(1) As used in this section:

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- 996 (a) "Convicted" has the same meaning as provided in s. 997 943.0435.
 - (b) "Sexual offender" means a person who has been adjudicated delinquent as provided in s. 943.0435(1)(a)1.d.
 - (2) The Legislature finds that sexual offenders,
 especially those who have committed their offenses against
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even after being released from incarceration or commitment and that protection of the public from sexual offenders is a paramount governmental interest. Sexual offenders have a reduced expectation of privacy because of the public's interest in public safety and in the effective operation of government.

Releasing sexual offender information to law enforcement agencies, to persons who request such information, and to the public by a law enforcement agency or public agency will further the governmental interests of public safety.

- (3) (a) The department must provide information regarding any sexual offender who is being released after serving a period of residential commitment or other detention under the department for any offense, as follows:
- 1. The department must provide the sexual offender's name, any change in the offender's name by reason of marriage or other legal process, and any alias, if known; the correctional facility from which the sexual offender is released; the sexual offender's social security number, race, sex, date of birth, height, weight, and hair and eye color; date and county of disposition and each crime for which there was a disposition; a copy of the offender's fingerprints and a digitized photograph taken within 60 days before release; the date of release of the sexual offender; and the offender's intended residence address, if known. The department shall notify the Department of Law Enforcement if the sexual offender escapes, absconds, or dies. If the sexual offender is in the custody of a private correctional facility, the facility shall take the digitized photograph of the sexual offender within 60 days before the

sexual offender's release and also place it in the sexual offender's file. If the sexual offender is in the custody of a local jail or detention center, the custodian of the local jail or detention center shall register the offender within 3 business days after intake of the offender for any reason and, upon release, notify the Department of Law Enforcement of the sexual offender's release and provide to the Department of Law Enforcement the information specified in this subparagraph and any information specified in subparagraph 2. that the Department of Law Enforcement requests.

- 2. The department may provide any other information deemed necessary, including criminal and delinquency records, when available.
- (b) The department must provide the information described in subparagraph (a)1. to the following:
- 1. The sheriff of the county from where the sexual offender offense was disposed.
- 2. The sheriff of the county and, if applicable, the police chief of the municipality where the sexual offender plans to reside.
 - 3. The Department of Law Enforcement.
- 4. When requested, the victim of the offense, the victim's parent or legal guardian if the victim is a minor, the lawful representative of the victim or of the victim's parent or guardian if the victim is a minor, or the next of kin if the victim is a homicide victim.
- 5. Any person who requests such information, either within6 months prior to the anticipated release of a sexual offender

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or as soon as possible if an offender is released earlier than anticipated. All such information provided to the Department of Law Enforcement must be available electronically as soon as the information is in the agency's database and must be in a format that is compatible with the requirements of the Florida Crime Information Center.

- (c) Upon request, the department must provide the information described in subparagraph (a) 2. to the following:
- 1. The sheriff of the county from where the sexual offender was sentenced.

- 2. The sheriff of the county and, if applicable, the police chief of the municipality where the sexual offender plans to reside, either within 6 months prior to the anticipated release of a sexual offender or as soon as possible if an offender is released earlier than anticipated.
- (d) Upon receiving information regarding a sexual offender from the department, the Department of Law Enforcement, the sheriff, or the chief of police shall provide the information described in subparagraph (a)1. to any individual who requests such information and may release the information to the public in any manner deemed appropriate, unless the information so received is confidential or exempt from s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution.
- (4) This section authorizes the department or any law enforcement agency to notify the community and the public of a sexual offender's presence in the community. However, with respect to a sexual offender who has been found to be a sexual predator under chapter 775, the Department of Law Enforcement or

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any other law enforcement agency must inform the community and the public of the sexual predator's presence in the community as provided in chapter 775.

- (5) An elected or appointed official, public employee, school administrator or employee, or agency, or any individual or entity acting at the request or upon the direction of any law enforcement agency, is immune from civil liability for damages resulting from the release of information under this section.
- 1095 Section 12. Section 985.4815, Florida Statutes, is created 1096 to read:
 - 985.4815 Notification to Department of Law Enforcement of information on juvenile sexual offenders.--
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- (a) "Change in enrollment or employment status" means the commencement or termination of enrollment or employment or a change in location of enrollment or employment.
 - (b) "Conviction" has the same meaning as provided in s. 943.0435.
 - (c) "Institution of higher education" means a career center, community college, college, state university, or independent postsecondary institution.
- (d) "Sexual offender" means a person who is in the care or custody or under the jurisdiction or supervision of the department or is in the custody of a private correctional facility and who:
- 1112 <u>1. Has been adjudicated delinquent as provided in s.</u>
 1113 943.0435(1)(a)1.d.; or

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2. Is a minor who establishes or maintains a residence in this state and has not been designated as a sexual predator by a court of this state but 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 to whether the person otherwise meets the criteria for registration as a sexual offender.

- a disposition regarding the sexual offender for the offense or offenses for which he or she was convicted shall forward to the department and the Department of Law Enforcement a certified copy of any order entered by the court imposing any special condition or restriction on the sexual offender that restricts or prohibits access to the victim, if the victim is a minor, or to other minors. The Department of Law Enforcement may include on its Internet website such special conditions or restrictions.
- (3) If a sexual offender is not sentenced to a term of residential commitment, the clerk of the court shall ensure that the sexual offender's fingerprints and sexual offender registration are taken and forwarded to the Department of Law Enforcement within 48 hours after the court sentences the offender. The fingerprint card shall be clearly marked "Sexual Offender Registration Card."
- (4) A sexual offender, as described in this section, who is under the supervision of the department but is not committed

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must register with the department within 3 business days after adjudication and disposition for a registerable offense and otherwise provide information as required by this subsection.

- (a) The sexual offender shall provide his or her name; date of birth; social security number; race; sex; height; weight; hair and eye color; tattoos or other identifying marks; and permanent or legal residence and address of temporary residence within the state or out of state while the sexual offender is in the care or custody or under the jurisdiction or supervision of the department in this state, including any rural route address or post office box, and the name and address of each school attended. The department shall verify the address of each sexual offender in the manner described in ss. 775.21 and 943.0435 and shall report to the Department of Law Enforcement any failure by a sexual offender to comply with registration requirements.
- (b) If the sexual offender is enrolled, employed, or carrying on a vocation at an institution of higher education in this state, the sexual offender shall provide the name, address, and county of each institution, including each campus attended, and the sexual offender's enrollment or employment status. Each change in enrollment or employment status shall be reported to the department within 48 hours after the change in status. The department shall promptly notify each institution of the sexual offender's presence and any change in the sexual offender's enrollment or employment status.
- (5) In addition to notification and transmittal requirements imposed by any other provision of law, the

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department shall compile information on any sexual offender and provide the information to the Department of Law Enforcement.

The information shall be made available electronically to the Department of Law Enforcement as soon as this information is in the department's database and must be in a format that is compatible with the requirements of the Florida Crime Information Center.

- (6)(a) The information provided to the Department of Law Enforcement must include the following:
- $\underline{\text{1. The information obtained from the sexual offender under}}\\$ subsection (4).
- 2. The sexual offender's most current address and place of permanent or temporary residence within the state or out of state while the sexual offender is in the care or custody or under the jurisdiction or supervision of the department in this state, including the name of the county or municipality in which the offender permanently or temporarily resides and, if known, the intended place of permanent or temporary residence upon satisfaction of all sanctions.
- 3. The legal status of the sexual offender and the scheduled termination date of that legal status.
- 4. The location of, and local telephone number for, any department office that is responsible for supervising the sexual offender.
- 5. An indication of whether the victim of the offense that resulted in the offender's status as a sexual offender was a minor.

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6. The offense or offenses at adjudication and disposition that resulted in the determination of the offender's status as a sex offender.

- 7. A digitized photograph of the sexual offender, which must have been taken within 60 days before the offender was released from the custody of the department or a private correctional facility by expiration of sentence under s.

 944.275, or within 60 days after the onset of the department's supervision of any sexual offender who is on probation, postcommitment probation, residential commitment, nonresidential commitment, licensed child-caring commitment, community control, conditional release, parole, provisional release, or control release or who is supervised by the department under the Interstate Compact Agreement for Probationers and Parolees. If the sexual offender is in the custody of a private correctional facility, the facility shall take a digitized photograph of the sexual offender within the time period provided in this subparagraph and shall provide the photograph to the department.
- (b) If any information provided by the department changes during the time the sexual offender is under the department's care, control, custody, or supervision, including any change in the offender's name by reason of marriage or other legal process, the department shall, in a timely manner, update the information and provide it to the Department of Law Enforcement in the manner prescribed in subsection (5).
- (7) If the sexual offender is in the custody of a local jail or detention center, the custodian of the local jail shall register the offender within 3 business days after intake of the

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offender for any reason and, upon release, forward the information to the Department of Law Enforcement. The custodian of the local jail shall also take a digitized photograph of the sexual offender while the offender remains in custody and shall provide the digitized photograph to the Department of Law Enforcement.

- (8) If the sexual offender is under federal supervision, the federal agency responsible for supervising the sexual offender may forward to the Department of Law Enforcement any information regarding the sexual offender that is consistent with the information provided by the department under this section and may indicate whether use of the information is restricted to law enforcement purposes only or may be used by the Department of Law Enforcement for purposes of public notification.
- (9) A sexual offender, as described in this section, who is under the care, jurisdiction, or supervision of the department but who is not incarcerated shall, in addition to the registration requirements provided in subsection (4), register in the manner provided in s. 943.0435(3), (4), and (5), unless the sexual offender is a sexual predator, in which case he or she shall register as required under s. 775.21. A sexual offender who fails to comply with the requirements of s. 943.0435 is subject to the penalties provided in s. 943.0435(9).
- (10)(a) The failure of a sexual offender to submit to the taking of a digitized photograph, or to otherwise comply with the requirements of this section, is a felony of the third

1252 <u>degree</u>, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 1253 <u>775.084</u>.

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- (b) A sexual offender who commits any act or omission in violation of this section may be prosecuted for the act or omission in the county in which the act or omission was committed, the county of the last registered address of the sexual offender, or the county in which the adjudication and disposition occurred for the offense or offenses that meet the criteria for designating a person as a sexual offender.
- (C) An arrest on charges of failure to register when the offender has been provided and advised of his or her statutory obligations to register under s. 943.0435(2), the service of an information or a complaint for a violation of this section, or an arraignment on charges for a violation of this section constitutes actual notice of the duty to register. A sexual offender's failure to immediately register as required by this section following such arrest, service, or arraignment constitutes grounds for a subsequent charge of failure to register. A sexual offender charged with the crime of failure to register who asserts, or intends to assert, a lack of notice of the duty to register as a defense to a charge of failure to register shall immediately register as required by this section. A sexual offender who is charged with a subsequent failure to register may not assert the defense of a lack of notice of the duty to register.
- (d) Registration following such arrest, service, or arraignment is not a defense and does not relieve the sexual offender of criminal liability for the failure to register.

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The department, the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, the Department of Law Enforcement, the Department of Corrections, personnel of those departments, and any individual or entity acting at the request or upon the direction of those departments are immune from civil liability for damages for good faith compliance with this section and shall be presumed to have acted in good faith in compiling, recording, reporting, or providing information. The presumption of good faith is not overcome if technical or clerical errors are made by the department, the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, the Department of Law Enforcement, the Department of Corrections, personnel of those departments, or any individual or entity acting at the request or upon the direction of those departments in compiling, recording, reporting, or providing information, or, if the information is incomplete or incorrect because the information has not been provided by a person or agency required to provide it, was not reported, or was falsely reported. Any person who has reason to believe that a sexual

- offender is not complying, or has not complied, with the requirements of this section and who, with the intent to assist the sexual offender in eluding a law enforcement agency that is seeking to find the sexual offender to question the sexual offender about, or to arrest the sexual offender for, his or her noncompliance with the requirements of this section:
- (a) Withholds information from, or does not notify, the law enforcement agency about the sexual offender's noncompliance

1307 with the requirements of this section and, if known, the whereabouts of the sexual offender; 1308 Harbors, attempts to harbor, or assists another person 1309 1310 in harboring or attempting to harbor the sexual offender; 1311 Conceals, attempts to conceal, or assists another person in concealing or attempting to conceal the sexual 1312 1313 offender; or (d) Provides information to the law enforcement agency 1314 1315 regarding the sexual offender that the person knows to be false 1316 commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in 1317 1318 s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084. This subsection does not 1319 apply if the sexual offender is incarcerated in or is in the 1320 custody of a state correctional facility, a private correctional facility, a local jail, or a federal correctional facility. 1321 1322 (13)(a) A sexual offender must report in person each year during the month of the sexual offender's birthday and during 1323 1324 every third month thereafter to the sheriff's office in the 1325 county in which he or she resides or is otherwise located to 1326 reregister. 1327 The sheriff's office may determine the appropriate times and days for reporting by the sexual offender, which shall 1328 be consistent with the reporting requirements of this 1329 subsection. Reregistration shall include any changes to the 1330 1331 following information:

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birth; height; weight; hair and eye color; address of any

permanent residence and address of any current temporary

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residence, within the state or out of state, including a rural route address and a post office box; name and address of each school attended; date and place of any employment; vehicle make, model, color, and license tag number; fingerprints; and photograph. A post office box shall not be provided in lieu of a physical residential address.

- 2. If the sexual offender is enrolled, employed, or carrying on a vocation at an institution of higher education in this state, the sexual offender shall also provide to the department the name, address, and county of each institution, including each campus attended, and the sexual offender's enrollment or employment status.
- 3. If the sexual offender's place of residence is a motor vehicle, trailer, mobile home, or manufactured home, as defined in chapter 320, the sexual offender shall also provide the vehicle identification number; the license tag number; the registration number; and a description, including color scheme, of the motor vehicle, trailer, mobile home, or manufactured home. If the sexual offender's place of residence is a vessel, live-aboard vessel, or houseboat, as defined in chapter 327, the sexual offender shall also provide the hull identification number; the manufacturer's serial number; the name of the vessel, live-aboard vessel, or houseboat; the registration number; and a description, including color scheme, of the vessel, live-aboard vessel, or houseboat.
- 4. Any sexual offender who fails to report in person as required at the sheriff's office, or who fails to respond to any address verification correspondence from the department within 3

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1363	weeks after the date of the correspondence, commits a felony of
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(c) The sheriff's office shall, within 2 working days, electronically submit and update all information provided by the sexual offender to the Department of Law Enforcement in a manner prescribed by that department.

Section 13. This act shall take effect July 1, 2007.

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