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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to the conveyance of bodies into or out of the state; amending s. 406.61, F.S.; authorizing accredited entities and certain science museums to convey plastinated bodies or parts of bodies for certain purposes; requiring prior notification to the anatomical board; requiring written certification concerning the manner in which the plastinated bodies or parts of bodies were made available; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Section 406.61, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

406.61 Selling, buying, or conveying bodies outside state prohibited; exceptions, penalty.--

(1) Any person who sells shall sell or buys buy any body or parts of bodies as described in this chapter or any person except a recognized Florida medical or dental school who transmits shall transmit or conveys convey or causes cause to be transmitted or conveyed such body or parts of bodies to any place outside this state commits is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in ss. 775.082 and 775.083. However, nothing in this chapter does not prohibit shall be construed as prohibiting the anatomical board from transporting human specimens outside the state for educational or scientific purposes or prohibit as prohibiting the transport

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of bodies, parts of bodies, or tissue specimens in furtherance

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of lawful examination, investigation, or autopsy conducted pursuant to s. 406.11. Any person, institution, or organization that conveys bodies or parts of bodies into or out of the state for medical education or research purposes shall notify the anatomical board of such intent and receive approval from the board.

- (2) Any entity accredited by the American Association of Museums, or any science museum defined in s. 265.608 that is designated a cultural sponsoring organization by the Department of State pursuant to the Cultural Endowment Program under ss. 265.601-265.606, may convey plastinated bodies or parts of bodies into or out of the state for exhibition and public educational purposes without the consent of the board if the accredited entity or science museum:
- (a) Notifies the board of the conveyance and the duration and location of the exhibition at least 30 days before the intended conveyance.
- (b) Certifies in writing that the accredited entity or science museum does not have any knowledge or reason to believe that the plastinated bodies or parts of bodies were made available through an unlawful act.
 - Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009.