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1                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to restrictions on business entities  
3           doing business with Iran; providing definitions;  
4           prohibiting the state from entering into, awarding, or  
5           renewing a contract or purchasing agreement for  
6           commodities or contractual services with, or receiving  
7           or soliciting proposals for the acquisition of  
8           commodities or contractual services from, any business  
9           entity doing business with Iran; providing for the  
10          cessation of such prohibition under specified  
11          circumstances; directing the Department of State, in  
12          conjunction with the Department of Management  
13          Services, the Department of Business and Professional  
14          Regulation, the Department of Legal Affairs, and the  
15          State Board of Administration, to develop a mechanism  
16          for the identification of business entities doing  
17          business with the nation of Iran and for the  
18          enforcement of the act; providing an effective date.

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

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22           Section 1. Restrictions on business entities doing business  
23 with Iran.—

24           (1) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this section:

25           (a) "Business entity" means:

26           1. Any proprietorship, firm, enterprise, franchise,  
27 organization, association, corporation, partnership, joint  
28 venture, limited partnership, limited liability partnership,  
29 limited liability company, trust, or other entity or business

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30 association, including all wholly owned subsidiaries, majority-  
31 owned subsidiaries, parent companies, or affiliates of such  
32 entities or business associations; or

33 2. Any self-employed individual,

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35 whether fictitiously named or not, doing business in this state,  
36 which exists for the purpose of making a profit.

37 (b) "Doing business with Iran" means:

38 1. Engaging in commerce in any form with Iran, including,  
39 but not limited to, acquiring, developing, maintaining, owning,  
40 selling, possessing, leasing, or operating equipment,  
41 facilities, personnel, products, services, personal property,  
42 real property, or any other apparatus of business or commerce.

43 2. Engaging in or in any way benefiting from dealings with,  
44 or activities related to or involving, the nation of Iran.

45 (c) "Iran" means the Islamic Republic of Iran and includes  
46 the government of Iran, its instrumentalities, and companies  
47 owned or controlled by the government of Iran.

48 (2) PROHIBITED CONTRACTS.—The state may not enter into,  
49 award, or renew a contract or purchasing agreement for  
50 commodities or contractual services with, or receive or solicit  
51 proposals for the acquisition of commodities or contractual  
52 services from, any business entity doing business, either  
53 directly or indirectly, with Iran.

54 (3) CESSATION OF PROHIBITION.—The prohibition under  
55 subsection (2) is removed if the Congress or the President of  
56 the United States affirmatively and unambiguously declares, by  
57 means including, but not limited to, legislation, executive  
58 order, or written certification from the President to Congress,

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59 that the prohibition of contracts, awards, and agreements  
60 provided in subsection (2) interferes with the conduct of United  
61 States foreign policy.

62 (4) IDENTIFICATION OF BUSINESS ENTITIES; ENFORCEMENT.—The  
63 Department of State, in conjunction with the Department of  
64 Management Services, the Department of Business and Professional  
65 Regulation, the Department of Legal Affairs, and the State Board  
66 of Administration, shall develop a mechanism for the  
67 identification of business entities doing business with the  
68 nation of Iran and for the enforcement of this section.

69 Section 2. This act shall take effect October 1, 2010.