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1                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to involuntary civil commitment of  
3           sexually violent predators; amending s. 394.912, F.S.;  
4           redefining terms; creating s. 394.9125, F.S.;  
5           authorizing and requiring a state attorney to refer  
6           certain persons for civil commitment under certain  
7           circumstances; requiring the state attorney to notify  
8           county and municipal jails of a referral within a  
9           specified timeframe; authorizing the state attorney to  
10          file a petition requesting that a person be taken into  
11          custody for civil commitment proceedings; requiring a  
12          judge to order a person into custody for civil  
13          commitment proceedings upon making specified findings;  
14          amending s. 394.913, F.S.; requiring the agency with  
15          jurisdiction over a person who has been convicted of a  
16          sexually violent offense to give written notice to the  
17          multidisciplinary team as soon as practicable after  
18          receipt into custody of such person in a county or  
19          municipal jail facility; requiring the  
20          multidisciplinary team to prioritize assessments based  
21          on release dates; authorizing the multidisciplinary  
22          team to consult with law enforcement agencies and  
23          victim advocate groups as part of the assessment and  
24          evaluation process; authorizing a clinical evaluation;  
25          requiring a second clinical evaluation under certain  
26          circumstances; requiring the multidisciplinary team to  
27          proceed without a personal interview under certain  
28          circumstances; requiring the multidisciplinary team to  
29          provide the state attorney with a written assessment

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30 and recommendation as to whether a person meets the  
31 definition of a sexually violent predator within  
32 specified timeframes; requiring the Department of  
33 Children and Families to recommend that the state  
34 attorney file a civil commitment petition under  
35 certain circumstances; requiring the department to  
36 send the recommendation and assessment to the state  
37 attorney for further review; requiring the  
38 multidisciplinary team to reexamine the case under  
39 certain circumstances; requiring the multidisciplinary  
40 team to give equal consideration to an attempt,  
41 criminal solicitation, or conspiracy to commit certain  
42 offenses as it does to the commission of such  
43 offenses; conforming provisions to changes made by the  
44 act; amending s. 394.9135, F.S.; providing for certain  
45 released persons to be taken into custody by the  
46 Department of Children and Families; authorizing the  
47 state attorney to file, within a specific timeframe, a  
48 petition alleging that a person released from a local  
49 detention facility was not referred as required before  
50 release because of a mistake, oversight, or  
51 intentional act or was referred for commitment  
52 consideration but released rather than transferred to  
53 custody, as required, due to a mistake, oversight, or  
54 intentional act; requiring a judge to order that a  
55 person so released be taken into custody and delivered  
56 to an appropriate secure facility under certain  
57 circumstances; amending s. 394.914, F.S.; authorizing  
58 the state attorney to file a petition for civil

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59 commitment regardless of the multidisciplinary team's  
60 recommendation; amending s. 394.918, F.S.; authorizing  
61 the petitioner and respondent to present evidence at a  
62 civil commitment probable cause hearing; amending s.  
63 394.926, F.S.; requiring the department to provide  
64 written notice of placement of a person in the  
65 department's custody to a victim of such person;  
66 requiring the department to notify the Department of  
67 Corrections, the Department of Law Enforcement, and  
68 the sheriff of the county in which such person intends  
69 to reside of the release of a sexually violent  
70 predator or a person who is in custody; requiring the  
71 Department of Children and Families to enroll certain  
72 persons in an arrest notification program and to  
73 notify the state attorney upon receiving an arrest  
74 alert; amending s. 394.931, F.S.; requiring the  
75 Department of Corrections to collect recidivism  
76 information and include the information in their  
77 annual report; amending s. 943.053, F.S.; requiring  
78 the Department of Law Enforcement to provide the  
79 Department of Children and Families access to the  
80 arrest notification program; providing for  
81 severability; providing an effective date.

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

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85 Section 1. Subsections (1), (3), (7), and (11) of section  
86 394.912, Florida Statutes, are amended, and paragraph (i) is  
87 added to subsection (9) of that section, to read:

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88 394.912 Definitions.—As used in this part, the term:

89 (1) "Agency with jurisdiction" means the entity ~~agency~~ that  
90 releases, upon lawful order or authority, a person who is  
91 serving a sentence in the custody of the Department of  
92 Corrections, a person who was adjudicated delinquent and is  
93 committed to the custody of the Department of Juvenile Justice,  
94 ~~or~~ a person who was involuntarily committed to the custody of  
95 the Department of Children and Families ~~Family Services~~ upon an  
96 adjudication of not guilty by reason of insanity, or a person  
97 who is serving a sentence in a county or municipal jail for a  
98 sexually violent offense as defined in paragraph (9) (i).

99 (3) "Department" means the Department of Children and  
100 Families ~~Family Services~~.

101 (7) "Secretary" means the secretary of the Department of  
102 Children and Families ~~Family Services~~.

103 (9) "Sexually violent offense" means:

104 (i) A criminal offense in which the state attorney refers a  
105 person to the department for civil commitment proceedings  
106 pursuant to s. 394.9125.

107 (11) "Total confinement" means that the person is currently  
108 being held in any physically secure facility being operated or  
109 contractually operated for the Department of Corrections, the  
110 Department of Juvenile Justice, or the Department of Children  
111 and Families ~~Family Services~~. A person shall also be deemed to  
112 be in total confinement for applicability of provisions under  
113 this part if:

114 (a) The person is serving an incarcerative sentence under  
115 the custody of the Department of Corrections or the Department  
116 of Juvenile Justice and is being held in any other secure

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117 facility for any reason;

118 (b) The person is serving a sentence in a county or  
119 municipal jail for a sexually violent offense as defined in  
120 paragraph (9) (i); or

121 (c) A court or the agency with jurisdiction determines that  
122 the person who is being held should have been lawfully released  
123 at an earlier date and that the provisions of this part would  
124 have been applicable to the person on the date that he or she  
125 should have been lawfully released.

126 Section 2. Section 394.9125, Florida Statutes, is created  
127 to read:

128 394.9125 State attorney; authority to refer a person for  
129 civil commitment.-

130 (1) A state attorney shall refer a person to the department  
131 for civil commitment proceedings if:

132 (a) The state attorney receives an arrest alert on the  
133 person pursuant to s. 394.926(4); and

134 (b) The person is subsequently sentenced to a term of  
135 imprisonment in a county or municipal jail for any criminal  
136 offense.

137 (2) A state attorney may refer a person to the department  
138 for civil commitment proceedings if the person:

139 (a) Is required to register as a sexual offender pursuant  
140 to s. 943.0435;

141 (b) Has previously been convicted of a sexually violent  
142 offense as defined in s. 394.912(9) (a)-(h); and

143 (c) Has been sentenced to a term of imprisonment in a  
144 county or municipal jail for any criminal offense.

145 (3) A state attorney who refers a person for civil

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146 commitment pursuant to subsection (1) or subsection (2) shall  
147 notify the county or municipal jail to which the person has been  
148 sentenced within 24 hours after the referral is made.

149 (4) (a) If a person is sentenced to a term of imprisonment  
150 in a county or municipal jail but is not subsequently totally  
151 confined in the jail due to receiving credit for time served,  
152 the state attorney may file a petition with the circuit court  
153 within 120 hours after such person's sentencing proceeding  
154 requesting the court to order such person into the department's  
155 custody for purposes of initiating civil commitment proceedings.

156 (b) If the judge determines that there is probable cause to  
157 believe that the person should have been referred to the  
158 department pursuant to subsection (1) or subsection (2) but that  
159 the referral was not made because the person was not totally  
160 confined in a county or municipal jail due to receiving credit  
161 for time served, the judge shall order that the person be taken  
162 into custody and delivered to the custody of the department for  
163 civil commitment proceedings.

164 Section 3. Section 394.913, Florida Statutes, is amended to  
165 read:

166 394.913 Notice to state attorney and multidisciplinary team  
167 of release of sexually violent predator; establishing  
168 multidisciplinary teams; information to be provided to  
169 multidisciplinary teams.—

170 (1) The agency with jurisdiction over a person who has been  
171 convicted of a sexually violent offense shall give written  
172 notice to the multidisciplinary team, ~~and~~ shall provide a copy  
173 of the notice to the state attorney of the circuit in which  
174 ~~where~~ that person was last convicted of a sexually violent

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175 offense. If the person has never been convicted of a sexually  
176 violent offense in this state but has been convicted of a  
177 sexually violent offense in another state or in federal court,  
178 the agency with jurisdiction shall give written notice to the  
179 multidisciplinary team and a copy to the state attorney of the  
180 circuit in which ~~where~~ the person was last convicted of any  
181 offense in this state. If the person is being confined in this  
182 state pursuant to interstate compact and has a prior or current  
183 conviction for a sexually violent offense, the agency with  
184 jurisdiction shall give written notice to the multidisciplinary  
185 team and shall provide a copy to the state attorney of the  
186 circuit in which ~~where~~ the person plans to reside upon release  
187 or, if no residence in this state is planned, the state attorney  
188 in the circuit in which ~~where~~ the facility from which the person  
189 to be released is located. Except as provided in s. 394.9135,  
190 the written notice must be given:

191 (a) At least 545 days before ~~prior to~~ the anticipated  
192 release from total confinement of a person serving a sentence in  
193 the custody of the Department of Corrections, except that in the  
194 case of a person ~~persons~~ who is ~~are~~ totally confined for a  
195 period of less than 545 days, written notice must be given as  
196 soon as practicable;

197 (b) At least 180 days before ~~prior to~~ the anticipated  
198 release from residential commitment of a person committed to the  
199 custody of the Department of Juvenile Justice, except that in  
200 the case of a person ~~persons~~ who is ~~are~~ committed to a low or  
201 moderate risk facility, written notice must be given as soon as  
202 practicable; ~~or~~

203 (c) At least 180 days before ~~prior to~~ the anticipated

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204 hearing regarding possible release of a person committed to the  
205 custody of the department who has been found not guilty by  
206 reason of insanity or mental incapacity of a sexually violent  
207 offense; or.

208 (d) At least 180 days before the anticipated release from  
209 total confinement of a person serving a sentence in a county or  
210 municipal jail, except that in the case of a person who is  
211 totally confined for a period of less than 180 days, written  
212 notice must be given as soon as practicable.

213 (2) The agency having jurisdiction shall provide the  
214 multidisciplinary team with the following information:

215 (a) The person's name; identifying characteristics;  
216 anticipated future residence; the type of supervision the person  
217 will receive in the community, if any; and the person's offense  
218 history;

219 (b) The person's criminal history, including police  
220 reports, victim statements, presentence investigation reports,  
221 postsentence investigation reports, if available, and any other  
222 documents containing facts of the person's criminal incidents or  
223 indicating whether the criminal incidents included sexual acts  
224 or were sexually motivated;

225 (c) Mental health, mental status, and medical records,  
226 including all clinical records and notes concerning the person;

227 (d) Documentation of institutional adjustment and any  
228 treatment received and, in the case of an adjudicated delinquent  
229 committed to the Department of Juvenile Justice, copies of the  
230 most recent performance plan and performance summary; and

231 (e) If the person was returned to custody after a period of  
232 supervision, documentation of adjustment during supervision and



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233 any treatment received.

234 (3) (a) The secretary or his or her designee shall establish  
235 a multidisciplinary team or teams.

236 (b) Each team shall include, but need is not be limited to,  
237 two licensed psychiatrists or psychologists or one licensed  
238 psychiatrist and one licensed psychologist.

239 (c) The multidisciplinary team shall assess and evaluate  
240 each person referred to the team. The multidisciplinary team  
241 shall prioritize the assessment and evaluation of persons  
242 referred under subsection (1) based upon the person's scheduled  
243 release date. The assessment and evaluation must ~~shall~~ include a  
244 review of the person's institutional history and treatment  
245 record, if any, the person's criminal background, and any other  
246 factor that is relevant to the determination of whether the ~~such~~  
247 person is a sexually violent predator.

248 (d) The multidisciplinary team may consult with law  
249 enforcement agencies and victim advocate groups during the  
250 assessment and evaluation process. A clinical evaluation of the  
251 person may be conducted. A second clinical evaluation must be  
252 conducted if a member of the multidisciplinary team questions  
253 the conclusion of the first clinical evaluation. All members of  
254 the multidisciplinary team shall review, at a minimum, the  
255 information provided in subsection (2) and any clinical  
256 evaluation before making a recommendation pursuant to paragraph  
257 (f).

258 (e) ~~(e)~~ Before recommending that a person meets the  
259 definition of a sexually violent predator, the person must be  
260 offered a personal interview. If the person agrees to  
261 participate in a personal interview, at least one member of the

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262 team who is a licensed psychiatrist or psychologist must conduct  
263 a personal interview of the person. If the person refuses to  
264 fully participate in a personal interview, the multidisciplinary  
265 team shall ~~may~~ proceed with its recommendation without the a  
266 ~~personal~~ interview ~~of the person~~.

267 (f) The multidisciplinary team shall complete all clinical  
268 evaluations and provide the state attorney a written assessment  
269 and recommendation as to whether the person meets the definition  
270 of a sexually violent predator at least 1 month before the  
271 person's scheduled release date from the Department of  
272 Corrections, the Department of Juvenile Justice, or the  
273 Department of Children and Families. The multidisciplinary team  
274 shall complete all clinical evaluations and provide the state  
275 attorney a written assessment and recommendation as to whether  
276 the person meets the definition of a sexually violent predator  
277 at least 24 hours before the person's scheduled release date  
278 from a county or municipal jail.

279 1. The department must recommend that the state attorney  
280 file a petition for civil commitment if at least two members of  
281 the multidisciplinary team determine that the person meets the  
282 definition of a sexually violent predator.

283 2. When the department determines that a person who has  
284 received a clinical evaluation does or does not meet the  
285 definition of a sexually violent predator, the written  
286 assessment and recommendation shall be sent to the state  
287 attorney. If the state attorney questions, in writing, the  
288 determination that the person does or does not meet the  
289 definition of a sexually violent predator, the multidisciplinary  
290 team must reexamine the case before a final written assessment

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291 and recommendation is provided to the state attorney.

292 (g)~~(d)~~ The Attorney General's Office shall serve as legal  
293 counsel to the multidisciplinary team.

294 ~~(e)1. Within 180 days after receiving notice, there shall~~  
295 ~~be a written assessment as to whether the person meets the~~  
296 ~~definition of a sexually violent predator and a written~~  
297 ~~recommendation, which shall be provided to the state attorney.~~  
298 ~~The written recommendation shall be provided by the Department~~  
299 ~~of Children and Family Services and shall include the written~~  
300 ~~report of the multidisciplinary team.~~

301 ~~2. Notwithstanding subparagraph 1., in the case of a person~~  
302 ~~for whom the written assessment and recommendation has not been~~  
303 ~~completed at least 365 days before his or her release from total~~  
304 ~~confinement, the department shall prioritize the assessment of~~  
305 ~~that person based upon the person's release date.~~

306 (4) The multidisciplinary team shall give equal  
307 consideration in the evaluation and assessment of an offender  
308 whose sexually violent offense was an attempt, criminal  
309 solicitation, or conspiracy, in violation of s. 777.04, to  
310 commit a sexually violent offense enumerated in s. 394.912(9) as  
311 it does in the evaluation and assessment of an offender who  
312 completed such an enumerated sexually violent offense. A rule or  
313 policy may not be established which reduces the level of  
314 consideration because the sexually violent offense was an  
315 attempt, criminal solicitation, or conspiracy.

316 ~~(5)~~~~(4)~~ The provisions of This section is are not  
317 jurisdictional, and failure to comply with it ~~them~~ in no way  
318 prevents the state attorney from proceeding against a person  
319 otherwise subject to ~~the provisions of~~ this part.

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320 Section 4. Section 394.9135, Florida Statutes, is amended  
321 to read:

322 394.9135 Immediate releases from total confinement;  
323 transfer of person to department; time limitations on  
324 assessment, notification, and filing petition to hold in  
325 custody; filing petition after release; order into custody of  
326 department after release.—

327 (1) (a) If the anticipated release from total confinement of  
328 a person who has been convicted of a sexually violent offense  
329 becomes immediate for any reason, the agency with jurisdiction  
330 shall upon immediate release from total confinement transfer  
331 that person to the custody of the department ~~of Children and~~  
332 ~~Family Services~~ to be held in an appropriate secure facility.

333 (b) If a person who committed a sexually violent offense  
334 and who is serving an incarcerative sentence under the custody  
335 of the Department of Corrections, the Department of Juvenile  
336 Justice, or a local detention facility, or who is committed to  
337 the custody of the department due to an adjudication of not  
338 guilty by reason of insanity is released, the state attorney, as  
339 designated in s. 394.913, may file a petition with the circuit  
340 court within 120 hours after the person's release alleging that:

341 1. Section 394.9125, s. 394.913, or this section requires  
342 that the person be referred for consideration for civil  
343 commitment before release and the person was not referred  
344 because of a mistake, oversight, or intentional act; or

345 2. The person was referred for commitment consideration  
346 but, through a mistake, oversight, or intentional act, was  
347 released rather than transferred to the custody of the  
348 Department of Children and Families as required by this part.

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350 If the judge determines that there is probable cause to believe  
351 that the person was released in contravention of s. 394.913 or  
352 this section, the judge shall order the person to be taken into  
353 custody and delivered to an appropriate secure facility  
354 designated by the Department of Children and Families.

355 (2) Within 72 hours after transfer pursuant to paragraph  
356 (1) (a) or receipt into the department's custody pursuant to  
357 paragraph (1) (b) or s. 394.9125(4), the multidisciplinary team  
358 shall assess whether the person meets the definition of a  
359 sexually violent predator. If the multidisciplinary team  
360 determines that the person does not meet the definition of a  
361 sexually violent predator, that person shall be immediately  
362 released. If at least two members of the multidisciplinary team,  
363 after all clinical evaluations have been conducted, determine  
364 ~~determines~~ that the person meets the definition of a sexually  
365 violent predator, the team shall provide the state attorney, as  
366 designated by s. 394.913, with its written assessment and  
367 recommendation within the 72-hour period or, if the 72-hour  
368 period ends after 5 p.m. on a working day or on a weekend or  
369 holiday, within the next working day ~~thereafter~~.

370 (3) Within 48 hours after receipt of the written assessment  
371 and recommendation from the multidisciplinary team, the state  
372 attorney, as designated in s. 394.913, may file a petition with  
373 the circuit court alleging that the person is a sexually violent  
374 predator and stating facts sufficient to support the ~~such~~  
375 allegation. If a petition is not filed within 48 hours after  
376 receipt of the written assessment and recommendation by the  
377 state attorney, the person shall be immediately released, except

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378 that, if the 48-hour period ends after 5 p.m. on a working day  
379 or on a weekend or holiday, the petition may be filed on the  
380 next working day without resulting in the person's release. If a  
381 petition is filed pursuant to this section and the judge  
382 determines that there is probable cause to believe that the  
383 person is a sexually violent predator, the judge shall order  
384 that the person be maintained in custody and held in an  
385 appropriate secure facility for further proceedings in  
386 accordance with this part.

387 (4) ~~The provisions of~~ This section is ~~are~~ not  
388 jurisdictional, and failure to comply with the time limitations,  
389 which results in the release of a person who has been convicted  
390 of a sexually violent offense, ~~is~~ not dispositive of the case  
391 and does not prevent the state attorney from proceeding against  
392 a person otherwise subject to ~~the provisions of~~ this part.

393 Section 5. Section 394.914, Florida Statutes, is amended to  
394 read:

395 394.914 Petition; contents.—After ~~Following~~ receipt from  
396 the multidisciplinary team of the written assessment and  
397 positive or negative recommendation as to whether the person  
398 meets the definition of a sexually violent predator ~~from the~~  
399 ~~multidisciplinary team~~, the state attorney, in accordance with  
400 s. 394.913, may file a petition with the circuit court alleging  
401 that the person is a sexually violent predator and stating facts  
402 sufficient to support such allegation. A No fee may not ~~shall~~ be  
403 charged for the filing of a petition under this section.

404 Section 6. Subsection (3) of section 394.918, Florida  
405 Statutes, is amended to read:

406 394.918 Examinations; notice; court hearings for release of

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407 committed persons; burden of proof.—

408 (3) The court shall hold a limited hearing to determine  
409 whether there is probable cause to believe that the person's  
410 condition has so changed that it is safe for the person to be at  
411 large and that the person will not engage in acts of sexual  
412 violence if discharged. The person has the right to be  
413 represented by counsel at the probable cause hearing and the  
414 right, ~~but the person is not entitled to be present. Both the~~  
415 ~~petitioner and the respondent may present evidence that the~~  
416 ~~court may weigh and consider.~~ If the court determines that there  
417 is probable cause to believe it is safe to release the person,  
418 the court shall set a trial before the court on the issue.

419 Section 7. Section 394.926, Florida Statutes, is amended to  
420 read:

421 394.926 Notice to victims and others of release of persons  
422 in the custody of the department ~~committed as sexually violent~~  
423 ~~predators; notice to Department of Corrections and Parole~~  
424 ~~Commission.~~—

425 (1) As soon as is practicable, the department shall give  
426 written notice of the release of a person in the custody of the  
427 department ~~committed as a sexually violent predator~~ to any  
428 victim of the ~~committed~~ person who is alive and whose address is  
429 known to the department or, if the victim is deceased, to the  
430 victim's family, if the family's address is known to the  
431 department. Failure to notify is not a reason for postponement  
432 of release. This section does not create a cause of action  
433 against the state or an employee of the state acting within the  
434 scope of the employee's employment as a result of the failure to  
435 notify pursuant to this part.

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436           (2) If a person in the custody of the department ~~sexually~~  
437 ~~violent predator~~ who has an active or pending term of probation,  
438 community control, parole, conditional release, or other court-  
439 ordered or postprison release supervision is released ~~from~~  
440 ~~custody~~, the department must immediately notify the Department  
441 of Corrections' Office of Community Corrections in Tallahassee.  
442 The Parole Commission must also be immediately notified of any  
443 releases of a person ~~sexually violent predator~~ who has an active  
444 or pending term of parole, conditional release, or other  
445 postprison release supervision that is administered by the  
446 Parole Commission.

447           (3) If a person in the custody of the department is  
448 released, the department must notify the Department of Law  
449 Enforcement and the sheriff of the county in which the person  
450 intends to reside, or if unknown, the sheriff of the county in  
451 which the person was last convicted.

452           (4) (a) The department, in conjunction with the Department  
453 of Law Enforcement, shall enroll and maintain a sexually violent  
454 offender in the arrest notification program through the Florida  
455 Criminal Justice Network maintained by the Department of Law  
456 Enforcement upon such offender's release from the department's  
457 custody. Upon receiving an alert that a sexually violent  
458 offender has been arrested for a criminal offense subsequent to  
459 his or her release, the department must immediately notify the  
460 state attorney of the circuit in which the arrest occurred.

461           (b) As used in this subsection, the term "sexually violent  
462 offender" means a person who has been committed to the  
463 department as a sexually violent predator or who has been in the  
464 department's custody based upon a court finding of probable



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465 cause to believe the person is a sexually violent predator.

466 Section 8. Section 394.931, Florida Statutes, is amended to  
467 read:

468 394.931 Quarterly and annual reports. ~~Beginning July 1,~~  
469 ~~1999,~~ The Department of Corrections shall collect information  
470 and compile quarterly reports with statistics profiling inmates  
471 released the previous quarter who fit the criteria and were  
472 referred to the Department of Children and Families ~~Family~~  
473 ~~Services~~ pursuant to this act. ~~The quarterly reports must be~~  
474 ~~produced beginning October 1, 1999.~~ At a minimum, the  
475 information that must be collected and compiled for inclusion in  
476 the reports includes: whether the qualifying offense was the  
477 current offense or the prior offense; the offender's most  
478 serious sexual offense; the total number of distinct victims of  
479 the sexual offense; whether the victim was known to the  
480 offender; whether the sexual act was consensual; whether the  
481 sexual act involved multiple victims; whether direct violence  
482 was involved in the sexual offense; the age of each victim at  
483 the time of the offense; the age of the offender at the time of  
484 the first sexual offense; whether a weapon was used; length of  
485 time since the most recent sexual offense; and the total number  
486 of prior and current sexual offense ~~sexual-offense~~ convictions.  
487 The Department of Corrections shall compile recidivism data on  
488 those referred, detained, or committed to the department. The  
489 data shall be included in the Department of Corrections' annual  
490 report ~~In addition, the department of Children and Family~~  
491 ~~Services shall implement a long-term study to determine the~~  
492 ~~overall efficacy of the provisions of this part.~~

493 Section 9. Subsection (14) is added to section 943.053,

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494 Florida Statutes, to read:

495 943.053 Dissemination of criminal justice information;  
496 fees.—

497 (14) Notwithstanding any other law, the department shall  
498 provide to the Sexually Violent Predator Program within the  
499 Department of Children and Families online access to the arrest  
500 notification program through the Florida Criminal Justice  
501 Network to be used solely in support of the duties of the  
502 Department of Children and Families as provided in s.  
503 394.926(4).

504 Section 10. If any provision of this act or its application  
505 to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity  
506 does not affect other provisions or applications of this act  
507 which can be given effect without the invalid provision or  
508 application, and to this end the provisions of this act are  
509 severable.

510 Section 11. This act shall take effect July 1, 2014.