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1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to sexually violent predators;
3	providing a short title; amending s. 394.913, F.S.;
4	requiring the Department of Children and Families to
5	provide training to the members of the
6	multidisciplinary team; limiting the term of contract
7	of multidisciplinary team members who contract with
8	the department to 1 year; providing that such
9	contracts may be renewed; requiring the department to
10	maintain data on each case on the recommendations of
11	the clinical evaluators; requiring state attorneys to
12	provide the department with specified information;
13	requiring the multidisciplinary team to prioritize
14	assessments based on release dates; requiring the
15	multidisciplinary team to proceed without a personal
16	interview under certain circumstances; requiring the
17	multidisciplinary team to provide the state attorney
18	with a written assessment and recommendation as to
19	whether a person meets the definition of a sexually
20	violent predator within specified timeframes;
21	requiring the department to recommend that the state
22	attorney file a civil commitment petition under
23	certain circumstances; requiring the department to
24	send the recommendation and assessment to the state
25	attorney for further review; requiring the
26	multidisciplinary team to reexamine the case under
27	certain circumstances; conforming provisions to
28	changes made by the act; creating s. 1005.10, F.S.;
29	requiring nonpublic colleges, universities, and

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30	schools to inform students and employees of the
31	Florida Department of Law Enforcement sexual predator
32	and sexual offender registry website and toll-free
33	telephone number; creating s. 1006.695, F.S.;
34	requiring Florida College System institutions, state
35	universities, and career centers to inform students
36	and employees of the Florida Department of Law
37	Enforcement sexual predator and sexual offender
38	registry website and toll-free telephone number;
39	providing an effective date.
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41	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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43	Section 1. This act may be cited as the "Protecting Our
44	Children and Adults from Sexual Predators Act."
45	Section 2. Subsection (3) of section 394.913, Florida
46	Statutes, is amended to read:
47	394.913 Notice to state attorney and multidisciplinary team
48	of release of sexually violent predator; establishing
49	multidisciplinary teams; information to be provided to
50	multidisciplinary teams
51	(3)(a) The secretary or his or her designee shall establish
52	a multidisciplinary team or teams.
53	(b) Each team shall include, but <u>need</u> is not <u>be</u> limited to,
54	two licensed psychiatrists or psychologists or one licensed
55	psychiatrist and one licensed psychologist who shall each have
56	experience in or relevant to the evaluation or treatment of
57	persons with mental abnormalities. The department shall provide
58	annual training to the members of the multidisciplinary team on

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59	topics, including, but not limited to, research on sexual
60	offenses or offenders, clinical evaluation methods, and the
61	civil commitment process. Members of the team who are hired on
62	contract are limited to 1-year contracts. Such contracts may be
63	renewed. The department shall regularly provide feedback to each
64	multidisciplinary team member and formally evaluate annually the
65	performance of each member of the multidisciplinary team. Such
66	evaluations must include, but need not be limited to, the
67	member's:
68	1. Scope of knowledge and understanding of clinical
69	research regarding risk factors for sexual deviance and
70	recidivism;
71	2. Ability to identify relevant clinical data from review
72	of criminal records and other information, including
73	recommendations of law enforcement and insights from victim
74	advocates; and
75	3. Ability to apply clinical information in a structured
76	assessment of both static risk factors and dynamic predictors of
77	recidivism.
78	(c) The department shall maintain data on each case on the
79	recommendations of the clinical evaluators in their clinical
80	evaluations, the final recommendations of the multidisciplinary
81	team, the petitions filed by state attorneys, and the results of
82	those petitions. The department shall analyze, at least
83	annually, this data to assess inter-rater reliability between
84	clinical evaluators and the level of agreement between an
85	individual evaluator's recommendation and the multidisciplinary
86	team's recommendation for the same individual. The department
87	shall also assess trends in multidisciplinary team

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88	recommendations, state attorneys filings, and the results of
89	such filings. The state attorneys shall provide information to
90	the department regarding filings and their results as necessary
91	to maintain this data.
92	(d) The multidisciplinary team shall assess and evaluate
93	each person referred to the team. The multidisciplinary team
94	shall prioritize the assessment and evaluation of persons
95	referred under subsection (1) based upon the person's release
96	<u>date.</u> The assessment and evaluation <u>must</u> shall include a review
97	of the person's institutional history and treatment record, if
98	any, the person's criminal background, and any other factor that
99	is relevant to the determination of whether <u>the</u> such person is a
100	sexually violent predator.
101	(e) (c) Before recommending that a person meets the
102	definition of a sexually violent predator, the person must be
103	offered a personal interview. If the person agrees to
104	participate in a personal interview, at least one member of the
105	team who is a licensed psychiatrist or psychologist must conduct
106	a personal interview of the person. If the person refuses to
107	fully participate in a personal interview, the multidisciplinary
108	team <u>shall</u> may proceed with its recommendation without <u>the</u> a
109	personal interview of the person.
110	(f) The multidisciplinary team shall complete all clinical
111	evaluations and provide the state attorney a written assessment
112	and recommendation as to whether the person meets the definition
113	of a sexually violent predator at least 1 month before the
114	person's scheduled release date from the Department of
115	Corrections, the Department of Juvenile Justice, or the
116	Department of Children and Families. The multidisciplinary team

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117 shall complete all clinical evaluations and provide the state 118 attorney a written assessment and recommendation as to whether 119 the person meets the definition of a sexually violent predator 120 at least 24 hours before the person's scheduled release date 121 from a county or municipal jail. 122 1. The department must recommend that the state attorney 123 file a petition for civil commitment if at least two members of 124 the multidisciplinary team determine that the person meets the 125 definition of a sexually violent predator. 126 2. When the department determines that a person who has received a clinical evaluation does or does not meet the 127 128 definition of a sexually violent predator, the written assessment and recommendation shall be sent to the state 129 130 attorney. If the state attorney questions, in writing, the 131 determination that the person does or does not meet the definition of a sexually violent predator, the multidisciplinary 132 133 team must reexamine the case before a final written assessment and recommendation is provided to the state attorney. 134 135 (g) (d) The Attorney General's Office shall serve as legal 136 counsel to the multidisciplinary team. 137 (e)1. Within 180 days after receiving notice, there shall 138 be a written assessment as to whether the person meets the

138 be a written assessment as to whether the person meets the 139 definition of a sexually violent predator and a written 140 recommendation, which shall be provided to the state attorney. 141 The written recommendation shall be provided by the Department 142 of Children and Family Services and shall include the written 143 report of the multidisciplinary team.

1442. Notwithstanding subparagraph 1., in the case of a person145for whom the written assessment and recommendation has not been

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completed at least 365 days before his or her release from total confinement, the department shall prioritize the assessment of that person based upon the person's release date. Section 3. Section 1005.10, Florida Statutes, is created to read: 1005.10 Sexual predator and sexual offender notification; nonpublic colleges, universities, and schools.-Each nonpublic college, university, and school shall inform students and employees at orientation and on its website of the existence of the Department of Law Enforcement sexual predator and sexual offender registry website and the toll-free telephone number that gives access to sexual predator and sexual offender public information pursuant to s. 943.043. Section 4. Section 1006.695, Florida Statutes, is created to read: 1006.695 Sexual predator and sexual offender notification; Florida College System institutions, state universities, and career centers.-Each Florida College System institution as defined in s. 1000.21, state university as defined in s. 1000.21, and career center as provided in s. 1001.44 shall inform students and employees at orientation and on its website of the existence of the Department of Law Enforcement sexual predator and sexual offender registry website and the toll-free telephone number that gives access to sexual predator and sexual offender public information pursuant to s. 943.043. Section 5. This act shall take effect July 1, 2014.

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