

The Florida Senate  
**HOUSE MESSAGE SUMMARY**

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BILL: CS/CS/CS/HB 851

INTRODUCER: Judiciary Committee; Appropriations Committee; Criminal Justice Subcommittee; and Rep. Fitzenhagen and others (CS/CS/SB 540 by Community Affairs Committee; Criminal Justice Committee; and Senator Book and others)

SUBJECT: Human Trafficking

DATE: May 3, 2019

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**I. Amendments Contained in Message:**

**House Amendment 1 – 638435 to Senate Amendment 1 – 589144**

**II. Summary of Amendments Contained in Message:**

**House Amendment 1** permits the direct-support organization created by the bill to contract with the Florida Forensic Institute for Research, Security, and Tactics, whereas the Senate bill requires the organization to contract with the institute. The amendment no longer requires the establishment owner or designated establishment manager of a massage establishment to complete human trafficking training as a condition of licensure renewal.

The amendment removes references to ch. 464, F.S. (nursing) and ch. 477, F.S. (cosmetology), thereby not requiring them to comply with administering human trafficking instruction. The amendment extends the deadlines in which certain entities must be in compliance with human trafficking instruction requirements created by the bill. The amendment also limits the accessibility of the human trafficking public awareness signage requirements to employees.

The amendment requires the OPPAGA to complete a study by January 1, 2023, on the effectiveness of the Soliciting for Prostitution Database and provide a recommendation as to whether it should remain in operation or be repealed. The amendment provides that the database will be repealed January 1, 2024, unless reviewed and saved from repeal by the Legislature.

The amendment provides penalties for the owner, operator, or manager of an adult theater who fails to comply with human trafficking requirements created by the bill. The amendment expands the definition of an adult theater to include any business that features a person who engages in specific sexual activities for observation by a patron, and which restricts or purports to restrict admission to adults only.