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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to emergency telecommunication devices
3 in public swimming pools; creating s. 514.0316, F.S.;
4 authorizing public swimming pools to be equipped with
5 continuously accessible emergency telecommunication
6 devices; providing that an owner of a public swimming
7 pool who elects to install such device must comply
8 with certain requirements by a specified date;
9 providing that property on which a public swimming
10 pool is equipped with an emergency telecommunication
11 device is eligible for certain adjustments or
12 reductions in general liability insurance policy
13 rates; providing an effective date.

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

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17 Section 1. Section 514.0316, Florida Statutes, is created
18 to read:

19 514.0316 Emergency telecommunication devices in public
20 swimming pools.-

21 (1) To ensure public safety and reduce the risk of
22 drownings, a public swimming pool may be equipped with an
23 emergency telecommunication device that is capable of directly
24 communicating with a public or private emergency notification
25 service and that is continuously accessible to all public
26 swimming pool users. If the owner of a public swimming pool
27 elects to equip the public swimming pool with an emergency
28 telecommunication device, the owner must comply with all of the
29 following requirements by the compliance date set by the local

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30 health department or December 31, 2020, whichever date is
31 earlier:

32 (a) The device must be permanently mounted inside the pool
33 enclosure, or outside the enclosure but within 75 feet of a
34 bather entrance, and includes dialing instructions.

35 (b) The device must be visible from inside the pool
36 enclosure or, if mounted outside the pool enclosure, a sign must
37 be posted inside the enclosure indicating the location of the
38 device.

39 (2) Property containing a public swimming pool that is
40 equipped with an emergency telecommunication device in
41 compliance with paragraph (1)(a) is eligible for any adjustments
42 or discounts to general liability insurance policy rates under
43 s. 627.062 which are associated with the reduction of drownings
44 or the reduction of swimming pool accidents and drownings.

45 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2020.