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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to racketeering of aquatic and wild
3 animal life; amending s. 895.02, F.S.; revising the
4 definition of the term "racketeering activity" to
5 include certain actions relating to the illegal
6 taking, killing, wounding, sale, purchase, or
7 possession of wild animal life, freshwater aquatic
8 life, or marine life, and related crimes; providing an
9 effective date.

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

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13 Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (8) of section
14 895.02, Florida Statutes, is amended, and a new paragraph (c) is
15 added to that subsection, to read:

16 895.02 Definitions.—As used in ss. 895.01–895.08, the
17 term:

18 (8) "Racketeering activity" means to commit, to attempt to
19 commit, to conspire to commit, or to solicit, coerce, or
20 intimidate another person to commit:

21 (a) Any crime that is chargeable by petition, indictment,
22 or information under the following provisions of the Florida
23 Statutes:

24 1. Section 210.18, relating to evasion of payment of
25 cigarette taxes.

26 2. Section 316.1935, relating to fleeing or attempting to
27 elude a law enforcement officer and aggravated fleeing or
28 eluding.

29 3. Chapter 379, relating to the illegal taking, killing,
30 wounding, sale, purchase, or possession of wild animal life,
31 freshwater aquatic life, or marine life, and related crimes.

32 4. Section 403.727(3)(b), relating to environmental
33 control.

34 ~~5.4.~~ Section 409.920 or s. 409.9201, relating to Medicaid
35 fraud.

36 ~~6.5.~~ Section 414.39, relating to public assistance fraud.

37 ~~7.6.~~ Section 440.105 or s. 440.106, relating to workers'
38 compensation.

39 ~~8.7.~~ Section 443.071(4), relating to creation of a
40 fictitious employer scheme to commit reemployment assistance
41 fraud.

42 ~~9.8.~~ Section 465.0161, relating to distribution of
43 medicinal drugs without a permit as an Internet pharmacy.

44 ~~10.9.~~ Section 499.0051, relating to crimes involving
45 contraband, adulterated, or misbranded drugs.

46 ~~11.10.~~ Part IV of chapter 501, relating to telemarketing.

47 ~~12.11.~~ Chapter 517, relating to sale of securities and
48 investor protection.

49 ~~13.12.~~ Section 550.235 or s. 550.3551, relating to
50 dogracing and horseracing.

51 ~~14.13.~~ Chapter 550, relating to jai alai frontons.
52 ~~15.14.~~ Section 551.109, relating to slot machine gaming.
53 ~~16.15.~~ Chapter 552, relating to the manufacture,
54 distribution, and use of explosives.
55 ~~17.16.~~ Chapter 560, relating to money transmitters, if the
56 violation is punishable as a felony.
57 ~~18.17.~~ Chapter 562, relating to beverage law enforcement.
58 ~~19.18.~~ Section 624.401, relating to transacting insurance
59 without a certificate of authority, s. 624.437(4)(c)1., relating
60 to operating an unauthorized multiple-employer welfare
61 arrangement, or s. 626.902(1)(b), relating to representing or
62 aiding an unauthorized insurer.
63 ~~20.19.~~ Section 655.50, relating to reports of currency
64 transactions, when such violation is punishable as a felony.
65 ~~21.20.~~ Chapter 687, relating to interest and usurious
66 practices.
67 ~~22.21.~~ Section 721.08, s. 721.09, or s. 721.13, relating
68 to real estate timeshare plans.
69 ~~23.22.~~ Section 775.13(5)(b), relating to registration of
70 persons found to have committed any offense for the purpose of
71 benefiting, promoting, or furthering the interests of a criminal
72 gang.
73 ~~24.23.~~ Section 777.03, relating to commission of crimes by
74 accessories after the fact.
75 ~~25.24.~~ Chapter 782, relating to homicide.

76 ~~26.25.~~ Chapter 784, relating to assault and battery.
 77 ~~27.26.~~ Chapter 787, relating to kidnapping or human
 78 trafficking.
 79 ~~28.27.~~ Chapter 790, relating to weapons and firearms.
 80 ~~29.28.~~ Chapter 794, relating to sexual battery, but only
 81 if such crime was committed with the intent to benefit, promote,
 82 or further the interests of a criminal gang, or for the purpose
 83 of increasing a criminal gang member's own standing or position
 84 within a criminal gang.
 85 ~~30.29.~~ Former s. 796.03, former s. 796.035, s. 796.04, s.
 86 796.05, or s. 796.07, relating to prostitution.
 87 ~~31.30.~~ Chapter 806, relating to arson and criminal
 88 mischief.
 89 ~~32.31.~~ Chapter 810, relating to burglary and trespass.
 90 ~~33.32.~~ Chapter 812, relating to theft, robbery, and
 91 related crimes.
 92 ~~34.33.~~ Chapter 815, relating to computer-related crimes.
 93 ~~35.34.~~ Chapter 817, relating to fraudulent practices,
 94 false pretenses, fraud generally, credit card crimes, and
 95 patient brokering.
 96 ~~36.35.~~ Chapter 825, relating to abuse, neglect, or
 97 exploitation of an elderly person or disabled adult.
 98 ~~37.36.~~ Section 827.071, relating to commercial sexual
 99 exploitation of children.
 100 ~~38.37.~~ Section 828.122, relating to fighting or baiting

101 animals.

102 ~~39.38.~~ Chapter 831, relating to forgery and

103 counterfeiting.

104 ~~40.39.~~ Chapter 832, relating to issuance of worthless

105 checks and drafts.

106 ~~41.40.~~ Section 836.05, relating to extortion.

107 ~~42.41.~~ Chapter 837, relating to perjury.

108 ~~43.42.~~ Chapter 838, relating to bribery and misuse of

109 public office.

110 ~~44.43.~~ Chapter 843, relating to obstruction of justice.

111 ~~45.44.~~ Section 847.011, s. 847.012, s. 847.013, s. 847.06,

112 or s. 847.07, relating to obscene literature and profanity.

113 ~~46.45.~~ Chapter 849, relating to gambling, lottery,

114 gambling or gaming devices, slot machines, or any of the

115 provisions within that chapter.

116 ~~47.46.~~ Chapter 874, relating to criminal gangs.

117 ~~48.47.~~ Chapter 893, relating to drug abuse prevention and

118 control.

119 ~~49.48.~~ Chapter 896, relating to offenses related to

120 financial transactions.

121 ~~50.49.~~ Sections 914.22 and 914.23, relating to tampering

122 with or harassing a witness, victim, or informant, and

123 retaliation against a witness, victim, or informant.

124 ~~51.50.~~ Sections 918.12 and 918.13, relating to tampering

125 with jurors and evidence.

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126 (c) Any violation of Title 68, Florida Administrative
127 Code, relating to the illegal taking, killing, wounding, sale,
128 purchase, or possession of wild animal life, freshwater aquatic
129 life, or marine life, and related crimes.

130 Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.