

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 collection, harvest, capture, killing, wounding, sale,
7 purchase, or possession of wild animal life,
8 freshwater aquatic life, or marine life, and related
9 crimes; providing an 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 collection,
30 harvest, capture, killing, wounding, sale, purchase, or
31 possession of wild animal life, freshwater aquatic life, or
32 marine life, and related crimes.

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

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

37 ~~6.5.~~ Section 414.39, relating to public assistance fraud.

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

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

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

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

47 ~~11.10.~~ Part IV of chapter 501, relating to telemarketing.

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

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

52 ~~14.13.~~ Chapter 550, relating to jai alai frontons.

53 ~~15.14.~~ Section 551.109, relating to slot machine gaming.

54 ~~16.15.~~ Chapter 552, relating to the manufacture,
 55 distribution, and use of explosives.

56 ~~17.16.~~ Chapter 560, relating to money transmitters, if the
 57 violation is punishable as a felony.

58 ~~18.17.~~ Chapter 562, relating to beverage law enforcement.

59 ~~19.18.~~ Section 624.401, relating to transacting insurance
 60 without a certificate of authority, s. 624.437(4)(c)1., relating
 61 to operating an unauthorized multiple-employer welfare
 62 arrangement, or s. 626.902(1)(b), relating to representing or
 63 aiding an unauthorized insurer.

64 ~~20.19.~~ Section 655.50, relating to reports of currency
 65 transactions, when such violation is punishable as a felony.

66 ~~21.20.~~ Chapter 687, relating to interest and usurious
 67 practices.

68 ~~22.21.~~ Section 721.08, s. 721.09, or s. 721.13, relating
 69 to real estate timeshare plans.

70 ~~23.22.~~ Section 775.13(5)(b), relating to registration of
 71 persons found to have committed any offense for the purpose of
 72 benefiting, promoting, or furthering the interests of a criminal
 73 gang.

74 ~~24.23.~~ Section 777.03, relating to commission of crimes by
75 accessories after the fact.

76 ~~25.24.~~ Chapter 782, relating to homicide.

77 ~~26.25.~~ Chapter 784, relating to assault and battery.

78 ~~27.26.~~ Chapter 787, relating to kidnapping or human
79 trafficking.

80 ~~28.27.~~ Chapter 790, relating to weapons and firearms.

81 ~~29.28.~~ Chapter 794, relating to sexual battery, but only
82 if such crime was committed with the intent to benefit, promote,
83 or further the interests of a criminal gang, or for the purpose
84 of increasing a criminal gang member's own standing or position
85 within a criminal gang.

86 ~~30.29.~~ Former s. 796.03, former s. 796.035, s. 796.04, s.
87 796.05, or s. 796.07, relating to prostitution.

88 ~~31.30.~~ Chapter 806, relating to arson and criminal
89 mischief.

90 ~~32.31.~~ Chapter 810, relating to burglary and trespass.

91 ~~33.32.~~ Chapter 812, relating to theft, robbery, and
92 related crimes.

93 ~~34.33.~~ Chapter 815, relating to computer-related crimes.

94 ~~35.34.~~ Chapter 817, relating to fraudulent practices,
95 false pretenses, fraud generally, credit card crimes, and
96 patient brokering.

97 ~~36.35.~~ Chapter 825, relating to abuse, neglect, or
98 exploitation of an elderly person or disabled adult.

99 | ~~37.36.~~ Section 827.071, relating to commercial sexual
100 | exploitation of children.
101 | ~~38.37.~~ Section 828.122, relating to fighting or baiting
102 | animals.
103 | ~~39.38.~~ Chapter 831, relating to forgery and
104 | counterfeiting.
105 | ~~40.39.~~ Chapter 832, relating to issuance of worthless
106 | checks and drafts.
107 | ~~41.40.~~ Section 836.05, relating to extortion.
108 | ~~42.41.~~ Chapter 837, relating to perjury.
109 | ~~43.42.~~ Chapter 838, relating to bribery and misuse of
110 | public office.
111 | ~~44.43.~~ Chapter 843, relating to obstruction of justice.
112 | ~~45.44.~~ Section 847.011, s. 847.012, s. 847.013, s. 847.06,
113 | or s. 847.07, relating to obscene literature and profanity.
114 | ~~46.45.~~ Chapter 849, relating to gambling, lottery,
115 | gambling or gaming devices, slot machines, or any of the
116 | provisions within that chapter.
117 | ~~47.46.~~ Chapter 874, relating to criminal gangs.
118 | ~~48.47.~~ Chapter 893, relating to drug abuse prevention and
119 | control.
120 | ~~49.48.~~ Chapter 896, relating to offenses related to
121 | financial transactions.

122 ~~50.49.~~ Sections 914.22 and 914.23, relating to tampering
123 with or harassing a witness, victim, or informant, and
124 retaliation against a witness, victim, or informant.

125 ~~51.50.~~ Sections 918.12 and 918.13, relating to tampering
126 with jurors and evidence.

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

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