

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 wild animal life,  
 6           freshwater aquatic life, and marine life; providing an  
 7           effective date.

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

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 11           Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (8) of section  
 12           895.02, Florida Statutes, is amended, and a new paragraph (c) is  
 13           added to that subsection, to read:

14           895.02 Definitions.—As used in ss. 895.01-895.08, the  
 15           term:

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

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

22           1. Section 210.18, relating to evasion of payment of  
 23           cigarette taxes.

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

27           3. Chapter 379, relating to the illegal sale, purchase,  
28 collection, harvest, capture, or possession of wild animal life,  
29 freshwater aquatic life, or marine life, and related crimes.

30           4. Section 403.727(3)(b), relating to environmental  
31 control.

32           ~~5.4.~~ Section 409.920 or s. 409.9201, relating to Medicaid  
33 fraud.

34           ~~6.5.~~ Section 414.39, relating to public assistance fraud.

35           ~~7.6.~~ Section 440.105 or s. 440.106, relating to workers'  
36 compensation.

37           ~~8.7.~~ Section 443.071(4), relating to creation of a  
38 fictitious employer scheme to commit reemployment assistance  
39 fraud.

40           ~~9.8.~~ Section 465.0161, relating to distribution of  
41 medicinal drugs without a permit as an Internet pharmacy.

42           ~~10.9.~~ Section 499.0051, relating to crimes involving  
43 contraband, adulterated, or misbranded drugs.

44           ~~11.10.~~ Part IV of chapter 501, relating to telemarketing.

45           ~~12.11.~~ Chapter 517, relating to sale of securities and  
46 investor protection.

47           ~~13.12.~~ Section 550.235 or s. 550.3551, relating to  
48 dogracing and horseracing.

- 49 |        ~~14.13.~~ Chapter 550, relating to jai alai frontons.
- 50 |        ~~15.14.~~ Section 551.109, relating to slot machine gaming.
- 51 |        ~~16.15.~~ Chapter 552, relating to the manufacture,
- 52 | distribution, and use of explosives.
- 53 |        ~~17.16.~~ Chapter 560, relating to money transmitters, if the
- 54 | violation is punishable as a felony.
- 55 |        ~~18.17.~~ Chapter 562, relating to beverage law enforcement.
- 56 |        ~~19.18.~~ Section 624.401, relating to transacting insurance
- 57 | without a certificate of authority, s. 624.437(4)(c)1., relating
- 58 | to operating an unauthorized multiple-employer welfare
- 59 | arrangement, or s. 626.902(1)(b), relating to representing or
- 60 | aiding an unauthorized insurer.
- 61 |        ~~20.19.~~ Section 655.50, relating to reports of currency
- 62 | transactions, when such violation is punishable as a felony.
- 63 |        ~~21.20.~~ Chapter 687, relating to interest and usurious
- 64 | practices.
- 65 |        ~~22.21.~~ Section 721.08, s. 721.09, or s. 721.13, relating
- 66 | to real estate timeshare plans.
- 67 |        ~~23.22.~~ Section 775.13(5)(b), relating to registration of
- 68 | persons found to have committed any offense for the purpose of
- 69 | benefiting, promoting, or furthering the interests of a criminal
- 70 | gang.
- 71 |        ~~24.23.~~ Section 777.03, relating to commission of crimes by
- 72 | accessories after the fact.
- 73 |        ~~25.24.~~ Chapter 782, relating to homicide.

74        26.25. Chapter 784, relating to assault and battery.  
 75        27.26. Chapter 787, relating to kidnapping or human  
 76 trafficking.  
 77        28.27. Chapter 790, relating to weapons and firearms.  
 78        29.28. Chapter 794, relating to sexual battery, but only  
 79 if such crime was committed with the intent to benefit, promote,  
 80 or further the interests of a criminal gang, or for the purpose  
 81 of increasing a criminal gang member's own standing or position  
 82 within a criminal gang.  
 83        30.29. Former s. 796.03, former s. 796.035, s. 796.04, s.  
 84 796.05, or s. 796.07, relating to prostitution.  
 85        31.30. Chapter 806, relating to arson and criminal  
 86 mischief.  
 87        32.31. Chapter 810, relating to burglary and trespass.  
 88        33.32. Chapter 812, relating to theft, robbery, and  
 89 related crimes.  
 90        34.33. Chapter 815, relating to computer-related crimes.  
 91        35.34. Chapter 817, relating to fraudulent practices,  
 92 false pretenses, fraud generally, credit card crimes, and  
 93 patient brokering.  
 94        36.35. Chapter 825, relating to abuse, neglect, or  
 95 exploitation of an elderly person or disabled adult.  
 96        37.36. Section 827.071, relating to commercial sexual  
 97 exploitation of children.

98        ~~38.37.~~ Section 828.122, relating to fighting or baiting  
99 animals.

100        ~~39.38.~~ Chapter 831, relating to forgery and  
101 counterfeiting.

102        ~~40.39.~~ Chapter 832, relating to issuance of worthless  
103 checks and drafts.

104        ~~41.40.~~ Section 836.05, relating to extortion.

105        ~~42.41.~~ Chapter 837, relating to perjury.

106        ~~43.42.~~ Chapter 838, relating to bribery and misuse of  
107 public office.

108        ~~44.43.~~ Chapter 843, relating to obstruction of justice.

109        ~~45.44.~~ Section 847.011, s. 847.012, s. 847.013, s. 847.06,  
110 or s. 847.07, relating to obscene literature and profanity.

111        ~~46.45.~~ Chapter 849, relating to gambling, lottery,  
112 gambling or gaming devices, slot machines, or any of the  
113 provisions within that chapter.

114        ~~47.46.~~ Chapter 874, relating to criminal gangs.

115        ~~48.47.~~ Chapter 893, relating to drug abuse prevention and  
116 control.

117        ~~49.48.~~ Chapter 896, relating to offenses related to  
118 financial transactions.

119        ~~50.49.~~ Sections 914.22 and 914.23, relating to tampering  
120 with or harassing a witness, victim, or informant, and  
121 retaliation against a witness, victim, or informant.

122        ~~51.50.~~ Sections 918.12 and 918.13, relating to tampering  
123 with jurors and evidence.

124        (c) Any violation of Title 68, Florida Administrative  
125 Code, relating to the illegal sale, purchase, collection,  
126 harvest, capture, or possession of wild animal life, freshwater  
127 aquatic life, or marine life, and related crimes.

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