1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to unlawful dumping; amending s.
3	403.413, F.S.; revising the definitions of the terms
4	"dump" and "litter"; defining the term "water control
5	district"; specifying that it is unlawful to dump
6	litter in or on any water control district property or
7	canal right-of-way without specified consent;
8	providing that when litter is thrown or discarded from
9	a boat, the operator or owner, or both, are in
10	violation of certain provisions; requiring a water
11	control district board of directors member or district
12	manager to report an unlawful dumping to the
13	appropriate law enforcement agencies; authorizing law
14	enforcement officers to enter water control district
15	property under certain circumstances; amending s.
16	810.011, F.S.; revising the definition of the term
17	"posted land" to include land owned by a water control
18	district which has no trespassing signs placed at
19	specified points; reenacting ss. 403.4135(1) and
20	810.12(6), F.S., relating to litter receptacles and
21	prima facie evidence of trespass, respectively, to
22	incorporate the amendment made to s. 403.413, F.S., in
23	references thereto; providing an effective date.
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25	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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27	Section 1. Paragraphs (d) and (f) of subsection (2),
28	subsection (4), and paragraph (i) of subsection (6) of section
29	403.413, Florida Statutes, are amended, and paragraph (j) is
30	added to subsection (2) of that section, to read:
31	403.413 Florida Litter Law
32	(2) DEFINITIONSAs used in this section:
33	(d) "Dump" means to dump, throw, discard, place, deposit,
34	drain, discharge, or dispose of.
35	(f) "Litter" means any <u>personal property;</u> garbage;
36	rubbish; trash; refuse; can; bottle; box; container; paper;
37	tobacco product; pharmaceutical of any kind; tire; household
38	item; shed; appliance; mechanical equipment or part; building or
39	construction material; tool; machinery; wood; motor vehicle or
40	motor vehicle part, including a truck, trailer, or motor home;
41	vessel; aircraft; farm machinery or equipment; sludge from a
42	waste treatment facility, water supply treatment plant, or air
43	pollution control facility; or substance in any form resulting
44	from domestic, industrial, commercial, mining, agricultural, or
45	governmental operations, but excluding permitted, regulated, or
46	authorized drainage, pumping, or runoff of surface water or
47	stormwater.
48	(j) "Water control district" means a water control
49	district that exists pursuant to chapter 298 or was created by
50	special act of the Legislature.
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51 (4) DUMPING LITTER PROHIBITED.-Unless otherwise authorized
52 by law or permit, it is unlawful for any person to dump litter
53 in any manner or amount <u>in or on any of the following areas</u>:

(a) In or on Any public highway, road, street, alley, or thoroughfare, including any portion of the right-of-way thereof, or any other public lands, except in containers or areas lawfully provided therefor. When any litter is thrown or discarded from a motor vehicle, the operator or owner of the motor vehicle, or both, <u>are shall be deemed</u> in violation of this section.;

(b) In or on Any freshwater lake, river, canal, or stream or tidal or coastal water of the state, including canals. When any litter is thrown or discarded from a boat, the operator or owner of the boat, or both, <u>are shall be deemed</u> in violation of this section.; or

(c) <u>Any water control district property or canal right-of-</u> way, unless the district board of directors or the district manager or his or her designee has given prior consent. When any litter is thrown or discarded from a boat, the operator or owner of the boat, or both, are in violation of this section.

71 (d) In or on Any private property, unless the owner has 72 given prior consent of the owner has been given and unless the 73 dumping of such litter by such person will not cause a public 74 nuisance or otherwise be in violation of any other state or 75 local law, rule, or regulation.

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76	(6) PENALTIES; ENFORCEMENT
77	(i) It <u>is</u> shall be the duty of all law enforcement
78	officers to enforce the provisions of this section. <u>If a member</u>
79	of a water control district board of directors or a district
80	manager discovers that a person has committed unlawful dumping
81	in violation of paragraph (4)(c), he or she must report the
82	incident to the appropriate law enforcement agency with
83	jurisdiction over the district. A law enforcement officer may
84	enter any district canal right-of-way, property, or facility to
85	respond to such an incident.
86	Section 2. Paragraph (a) of subsection (5) of section
87	810.011, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
88	810.011 DefinitionsAs used in this chapter:
89	(5)(a) "Posted land" is that land upon which <u>any of the</u>
90	following are placed:
91	1. Signs are placed not more than 500 feet apart along $_{m au}$
92	and at each corner of $_{m{ au}}$ the boundaries of the land <u>or, for land</u>
93	owned by a water control district that exists pursuant to
94	chapter 298 or was created by special act of the Legislature,
95	signs placed at or near the intersection of any district canal
96	right-of-way and a road right-of-way, which, upon which signs
97	there appears prominently $\underline{\mathrm{display}}_{{m au}}$ in letters of not less than 2
98	inches in height $_{m{ au}}$ the words "no trespassing" and $rac{\mathrm{i}\mathrm{n}}{\mathrm{add}\mathrm{iti}\mathrm{on}}$
99	thereto the name of the owner, lessee, or occupant of <u>the</u> said
100	land. <u>The</u> Said signs <u>must</u> shall be placed along the boundary
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101 line of posted land in a manner and in such position as to be 102 clearly noticeable from outside the boundary line; or 103 2.a. Conspicuous no trespassing notice is painted on trees or posts on the property, provided that the notice is: 104 105 Painted in an international orange color and (I) displaying the stenciled words "No Trespassing" in letters no 106 107 less than 2 inches high and 1 inch wide either vertically or 108 horizontally; 109 (II) Placed so that the bottom of the painted notice is not less than 3 feet from the ground or more than 5 feet from 110 the ground; and 111 (III) Placed at locations that are readily visible to any 112 113 person approaching the property and no more than 500 feet apart 114 on agricultural land. 115 b. When a landowner uses the painted no trespassing 116 posting to identify a no trespassing "no trespassing" area, 117 those painted notices must shall be accompanied by signs 118 complying with subparagraph 1. and must be placed conspicuously 119 at all places where entry to the property is normally expected 120 or known to occur. 121 Section 3. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 403.413, Florida Statutes, in a 122 123 reference thereto, subsection (1) of section 403.4135, Florida 124 Statutes, is reenacted to read: 125 403.4135 Litter receptacles.-Page 5 of 6

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126 DEFINITIONS.-As used in this section "litter" and (1)127 "vessel" have the same meanings as provided in s. 403.413. 128 Section 4. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 403.413, Florida Statutes, in 129 130 references thereto, subsection (6) of section 810.12, Florida 131 Statutes, is reenacted to read: 132 810.12 Unauthorized entry on land; prima facie evidence of 133 trespass.-134 (6) The unlawful dumping by any person of any litter in 135 violation of s. 403.413(4) is prima facie evidence of the 136 intention of such person to commit an act of trespass. If any waste that is dumped in violation of s. 403.413(4) is discovered 137 to contain any article, including, but not limited to, a letter, 138 139 bill, publication, or other writing that displays the name of a 140 person thereon, addressed to such person or in any other manner 141 indicating that the article last belonged to such person, that 142 discovery raises a mere inference that the person so identified 143 has violated this section. If the court finds that the discovery of the location of the article is corroborated by the existence 144 145 of an independent fact or circumstance which, standing alone, 146 would constitute evidence sufficient to prove a violation of s. 147 403.413(4), such person is rebuttably presumed to have violated 148 that section. 149 Section 5. This act shall take effect October 1, 2023.

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