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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate

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Senator Gruters moved the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause

and insert:

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Section 1. Section 501.9745, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

501.9745 Kratom products; processor prohibitions;

registration; fines.-

(1) SHORT TITLE.-This section may be cited as the "Florida Kratom Consumer Protection Act."

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11	(2) DEFINITIONSAs used in this section, the term:
12	(a) "Kratom extract" means a food product or dietary
13	ingredient that contains any part of the leaf of the plant
14	Mitragyna speciosa which has been extracted and concentrated to
15	provide more standardized dosing.
16	(b) "Kratom product" means a food product, food ingredient,
17	dietary ingredient, dietary supplement, or beverage intended for
18	human consumption which contains any part of the leaf of the
19	plant Mitragyna speciosa or an extract of such plant and is
20	manufactured as a powder, capsule, pill, or beverage or any
21	other edible form.
22	(c) "Processor" means a person who sells, prepares,
23	manufactures, distributes, or maintains kratom products.
24	(3) PROHIBITIONS
25	(a) A processor may not sell, prepare, distribute, or
26	expose for sale:
27	1. A kratom product that:
28	a. Is adulterated with a dangerous non-kratom substance
29	that affects the quality or strength of the kratom product to
30	such a degree that it may injure a consumer.
31	b. Contains a poisonous or otherwise harmful non-kratom
32	ingredient, including, but not limited to, any substance listed
33	<u>in s. 893.03.</u>
34	c. Contains a level of 7-hydroxymitragynine in the alkaloid
35	fraction which is greater than 1 percent of the alkaloid
36	composition of the product.
37	d. Contains a synthetic alkaloid, including, but not
38	limited to, synthetic mitragynine, synthetic 7-
39	hydroxymitragynine, or any other synthetically derived compound

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40	of the plant Mitragyna speciosa.
41	e. Does not include directions for the safe and effective
42	use of the product, including, but not limited to, a suggested
43	serving size, on the product's packaging or label.
44	f. Has a label that contains any claim that the product is
45	intended to diagnose, treat, cure, or prevent any medical
46	condition or disease.
47	2. Kratom extract that contains levels of residual solvents
48	higher than the standards set forth in USP-NF chapter 467.
49	(b) A processor may not sell, distribute, or expose for
50	sale a kratom product to an individual under 21 years of age.
51	(4) REGISTRATIONA processor shall annually register with
52	the department any kratom product it intendeds to offer for sale
53	to an end consumer in this state which is in an approved kratom
54	delivery form. The registration must include a certificate of
55	analysis from an independent certified third-party laboratory
56	which shows that the kratom product is in compliance with the
57	requirements of this section for safe kratom products. The
58	Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services is not required
59	to test or inspect kratom products pursuant to chapter 500;
60	however, nothing prohibits the department from performing tests
61	and conducting inspections based on consumer complaints, based
62	on agency referrals, or as the department deems necessary.
63	(5) REPORTING REQUIREMENTS
64	(a) If the department receives a report that any kratom
65	product offered for sale in this state is not in compliance with
66	the requirements of this section for safe kratom products, the
67	department must require the processor to produce an updated
68	certificate of analysis in a reasonable timeframe from an

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69	independent certified third-party laboratory which shows that
70	the kratom product is in compliance with the requirements of
71	this section for safe kratom products.
72	(b) If a processor receives notice of an adverse event
73	related to its kratom product, the processor must submit via
74	certified mail to the department a copy of the adverse event
75	report required to be submitted to the United States Food and
76	Drug Administration under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic
77	Act, 21 U.S.C. s. 379aa-1(b)(1).
78	(c) If a processor fails to provide the department with an
79	updated certificate of analysis within the specified timeframe
80	or fails to report an adverse event to the department as
81	required by this subsection, the department may revoke the
82	processor's kratom product registration.
83	(6) VIOLATIONS
84	(a) A person who violates this section commits a
85	misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s.
86	775.082 or s. 775.083.
87	(b) A processor that sells kratom products at retail does
88	not violate this section if it is shown by a preponderance of
89	the evidence that the processor relied in good faith upon the
90	representations of a manufacturer, processor, packer, or
91	distributor of food represented to be a kratom product.
92	(7) RULESThe department shall adopt rules to administer
93	this section.
94	Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2024.
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96	========== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T ===============
97	And the title is amended as follows:

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98	Delete everything before the enacting clause
99	and insert:
100	A bill to be entitled
101	An act relating to the Florida Kratom Consumer
102	Protection Act; creating s. 501.9745, F.S.; providing
103	a short title; defining terms; prohibiting processors
104	from selling, preparing, distributing, or exposing for
105	sale certain kratom products; prohibiting processors
106	from distributing, selling, or exposing for sale a
107	kratom product to an individual under 21 years of age;
108	requiring processors to annually register kratom
109	products with the Department of Agriculture and
110	Consumer Services; providing requirements for such
111	registration; providing construction; requiring
112	processors to report certain violations and adverse
113	events to the department; providing for the revocation
114	of a processor's kratom product registration under
115	certain circumstances; providing criminal penalties;
116	providing an exception; requiring the department to
117	adopt rules; providing an effective date.