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An act relating to arrest and detention of individuals with significant medical conditions; creating s. 901.1501, F.S.; defining the term "person with a significant medical condition"; providing that a law enforcement officer may use his or her discretion in determining whether to make an immediate arrest of such person; providing construction; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Section 901.1501, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

901.1501 Immediate arrest of a person with a significant medical condition.—

- (1) As used in this section, the term "person with a significant medical condition" means a person who is a patient or resident of a hospital licensed under chapter 395, a nursing home facility licensed under part II of chapter 400, or an assisted living facility licensed under part I of chapter 429.
- (2) In determining whether to make an immediate arrest of a person with a significant medical condition, including an arrest for an offense committed against an elderly person or a disabled adult, a law enforcement officer may use his or her

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discretion based on the totality of the circumstances, including consideration of whether the person is a current or continued threat to public safety or himself or herself or a flight risk, and may consider all available lawful methods of making an arrest, including seeking an arrest warrant under s. 901.02.

(3) This section does not prohibit a law enforcement officer from arresting a person without a warrant under s. 901.15, or making such an arrest by any lawful method.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2025.