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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to prescription hearing aids; amending ss. 468.1265 and 484.054, F.S.; authorizing the sale and distribution of prescription hearing aids to consumers through the mail if certain conditions are met before the sale; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Section 468.1265, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

468.1265 Sale or distribution of prescription hearing aids through mail; penalty.—It is unlawful for any person to sell or distribute prescription hearing aids through the mail to the ultimate consumer. However, prescription hearing aids may be sold and distributed to a consumer through the mail if, before the sale, all required testing procedures as outlined in s.

468.1225 or s. 484.0501 are conducted by an audiologist licensed under s. 468.1185 or a hearing aid specialist licensed under s.

484.045, respectively. Any person who violates this section commits a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

Section 2. Section 484.054, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

484.054 Sale or distribution of prescription hearing aids through mail; penalty.—It is unlawful for any person to sell or distribute prescription hearing aids through the mail to the ultimate consumer. However, prescription hearing aids may be sold and distributed to a consumer through the mail if, before

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the sale, all required testing procedures as outlined in s.

468.1225 or s. 484.0501 are conducted by an audiologist licensed under s. 468.1185 or a hearing aid specialist licensed under s.

484.045, respectively. Any violation of this section constitutes a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s.

775.082 or s. 775.083.

Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2025.