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A bill to be entitled
An act relating to capital human trafficking of
vulnerable persons for sexual exploitation; amending
s. 92.565, F.S.; specifying that a defendant's
memorialized confession or admission in cases of
capital human trafficking of vulnerable persons for
sexual exploitation is admissible during trial under
specified circumstances; amending s. 456.51, F.S.;
specifying that consent is not required for pelvic
examinations administered pursuant to a criminal
investigation of an alleged violation of capital human
trafficking of vulnerable persons for sexual
exploitation; amending s. 775.0877, F.S.; requiring a
court to order a person who is convicted of or who had
pled nolo contendere or guilty to, or to the attempt
thereof, capital human trafficking of vulnerable
persons for sexual exploitation to undergo HIV
testing; amending s. 775.21, F.S.; requiring that an
offender who is convicted of committing capital human
trafficking of vulnerable persons for sexual
exploitation be designated as a sexual predator;
amending s. 787.01, F.S.; specifying that a person
commits a life felony if the person kidnaps a child
under a certain age and in the course of committing
that offense commits capital human trafficking of
vulnerable persons for sexual exploitation; amending
s. 787.02, F.S.; specifying that a person commits a
felony of the first degree if the person falsely
imprisons a child under a certain age and in the

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30 course of committing that offense commits capital
31 human trafficking of vulnerable persons for sexual
32 exploitation; amending s. 787.06, F.S.; defining the
33 term "sexual exploitation"; prohibiting a person 18
34 years of age or older from knowingly initiating,
35 organizing, planning, financing, directing, managing,
36 or supervising a venture that has subjected a child
37 younger than 12 years of age, or a person who is
38 mentally defective or mentally incapacitated, to human
39 trafficking for sexual exploitation; providing a
40 criminal penalty; requiring the state to give a
41 specified notice if it intends to seek the death
42 penalty for a violation of the offense; creating s.
43 921.1427, F.S.; providing legislative findings and
44 intent; providing for separate death penalty
45 proceedings in certain cases; providing for findings
46 and recommended sentences by a jury; providing for
47 imposition of sentence of life imprisonment or death;
48 providing requirements for a court order in support of
49 a life imprisonment or death sentence; providing for
50 automatic review of sentences of death within a
51 certain time period; specifying aggravating factors
52 and mitigating circumstances; providing for victim
53 impact evidence; providing for resentencing if
54 provisions are found to be unconstitutional; providing
55 applicability; amending s. 924.07, F.S.; authorizing
56 the state to appeal from a certain sentence on the
57 ground that it resulted from the failure of the
58 circuit court to comply with specified sentencing

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59 procedure requirements; amending ss. 943.0435,
60 944.606, and 944.607, F.S.; revising the definition of
61 the term "sexual offender"; amending s. 948.32, F.S.;
62 requiring state or local law enforcement agencies to
63 contact the Department of Corrections if they
64 investigate or arrest a person for committing, or
65 attempting, soliciting, or conspiring to commit,
66 capital human trafficking of vulnerable persons for
67 sexual exploitation; amending s. 960.065, F.S.;
68 revising eligibility for awards for victim assistance;
69 amending ss. 921.137 and 921.141, F.S.; conforming
70 provisions to changes made by the act; reenacting s.
71 16.713(1)(c), F.S., relating to the Florida Gaming
72 Control Commission, appointment and employment
73 restrictions, to incorporate the amendment made to s.
74 775.21, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s.
75 39.0139(3)(a), F.S., relating to visitation or other
76 contact and restrictions, to incorporate the amendment
77 made to s. 775.21, F.S., in a reference thereto;
78 reenacting s. 39.509(6)(b), F.S., relating to
79 grandparents rights, to incorporate the amendment made
80 to s. 775.21, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting
81 s. 39.806(1)(d) and (n), F.S., relating to grounds for
82 termination of parental rights, to incorporate the
83 amendment made to s. 775.21, F.S., in references
84 thereto; reenacting s. 61.13(9)(c), F.S., relating to
85 support of children, parenting and time-sharing, and
86 powers of the court, to incorporate the amendment made
87 to s. 775.21, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting

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s. 63.089(4)(b), F.S., relating to proceeding to terminate parental rights pending adoption, hearing, grounds, dismissal of petition, and judgment, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 775.21, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 63.092(3), F.S., relating to report to the court of intended placement by an adoption entity, at-risk placement, and preliminary study, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 775.21, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 68.07(3)(i) and (6), F.S., relating to change of name, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 775.21, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting s. 92.55(1)(b), F.S., relating to special protections in proceedings involving a victim or witness under 18, person with intellectual disability, or sexual offense victim, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 775.21, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 322.141(3), F.S., relating to color or markings of certain licenses or identification cards, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 775.21, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 397.487(10)(b), F.S., relating to voluntary certification of recovery residences, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 775.21, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 435.07(4)(b), F.S., relating to exemptions from disqualification, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 775.21, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 455.213(3)(b), F.S., relating to general licensing provisions, to incorporate the amendment made to s.

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775.21, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s.
489.553(7), F.S., relating to administration of part,
registration qualifications, and examination, to
incorporate the amendment made to s. 775.21, F.S., in
a reference thereto; reenacting s. 507.07(10), F.S.,
relating to violations, to incorporate the amendment
made to s. 775.21, F.S., in a reference thereto;
reenacting s. 775.13(4), F.S., relating to
registration of convicted felons, exemptions, and
penalties, to incorporate the amendment made to s.
775.21, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s.
775.25, F.S., relating to prosecutions for acts or
omissions, to incorporate the amendment made to s.
775.21, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s.
794.075(1), F.S., relating to sexual predators and
erectile dysfunction drugs, to incorporate the
amendment made to s. 775.21, F.S., in a reference
thereto; reenacting s. 900.05(2)(cc), F.S., relating
to criminal justice data collection, to incorporate
the amendment made to s. 775.21, F.S., in a reference
thereto; reenacting s. 903.0351(1)(c), F.S., relating
to restrictions on pretrial release pending probation-
violation hearing or community-control-violation
hearing, to incorporate the amendment made to s.
775.21, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s.
903.046(2)(m), F.S., relating to purpose of and
criteria for bail determination, to incorporate the
amendment made to s. 775.21, F.S., in a reference
thereto; reenacting s. 903.133(3), F.S., relating to

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bail on appeal prohibited for certain felony convictions, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 775.21, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 907.043(4)(b), F.S., relating to pretrial release and citizens' right to know, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 775.21, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 938.10(1), F.S., relating to additional court cost imposed in cases of certain crimes, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 775.21, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 943.0435(5), F.S., relating to sexual offenders required to register with the department and penalties, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 775.21, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 943.0584(2), F.S., relating to criminal history records ineligible for court-ordered expunction or court-ordered sealing, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 775.21, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 944.609(4), F.S., relating to career offenders and notification upon release, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 775.21, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 947.1405(2)(c) and (10), F.S., relating to conditional release program, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 775.21, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting s. 948.013(2)(b), F.S., relating to administrative probation, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 775.21, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 948.05(2)(f), F.S., relating to court to admonish or commend probationer or offender in community control and graduated

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incentives, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 775.21, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 948.06(4) and (8)(b) and (d), F.S., relating to violation of probation or community control, revocation, modification, continuance, and failure to pay restitution or cost of supervision, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 775.21, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting s. 948.063, F.S., relating to violations of probation or community control by designated sexual offenders and sexual predators, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 775.21, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 948.064(4), F.S., relating to notification of status as a violent felony offender of special concern, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 775.21, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 948.12, F.S., relating to intensive supervision for postprison release of violent offenders, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 775.21, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 948.30(3), F.S., relating to additional terms and conditions of probation or community control for certain sex offenses, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 775.21, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 948.31, F.S., relating to evaluation and treatment of sexual predators and offenders on probation or community control, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 775.21, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 985.04(6)(b), F.S., relating to oaths, records, and confidential information, to

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incorporate the amendment made to s. 775.21, F.S., in
a reference thereto; reenacting s. 61.13(2)(c) and
(9)(c), F.S., relating to support of children,
parenting and time-sharing, and powers of the court,
to incorporate the amendment made to s. 943.0435,
F.S., in references thereto; reenacting s. 68.07(3)(i)
and (6), F.S., relating to change of name, to
incorporate the amendment made to s. 943.0435, F.S.,
in references thereto; reenacting s. 92.55(1)(b),
F.S., relating to special protections in proceedings
involving a victim or witness under 18, person with
intellectual disability, or sexual offense victim, to
incorporate the amendment made to s. 943.0435, F.S.,
in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 98.0751(2)(b),
F.S., relating to restoration of voting rights and
termination of ineligibility subsequent to a felony
conviction, to incorporate the amendment made to s.
943.0435, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s.
322.141(3), F.S., relating to color or markings of
certain licenses or identification cards, to
incorporate the amendment made to s. 943.0435, F.S.,
in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 394.9125(2),
F.S., relating to state attorney authority to refer a
person for civil commitment, to incorporate the
amendment made to s. 943.0435, F.S., in a reference
thereto; reenacting s. 435.07(4)(b), F.S., relating to
exemptions from disqualification, to incorporate the
amendment made to s. 943.0435, F.S., in a reference
thereto; reenacting s. 775.0862(2), F.S., relating to

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sexual offenses against students by authority figures
and reclassification, to incorporate the amendment
made to s. 943.0435, F.S., in a reference thereto;
reenacting s. 775.13(4), F.S., relating to
registration of convicted felons, exemptions, and
penalties, to incorporate the amendment made to s.
943.0435, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s.
775.24(2), F.S., relating to the duty of the court to
uphold laws governing sexual predators and sexual
offenders, to incorporate the amendment made to s.
943.0435, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s.
775.25, F.S., relating to prosecutions for acts or
omissions, to incorporate the amendment made to s.
943.0435, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s.
900.05(2)(cc), F.S., relating to criminal justice data
collection, to incorporate the amendment made to s.
943.0435, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s.
903.046(2)(m), F.S., relating to purpose of and
criteria for bail determination, to incorporate the
amendment made to s. 943.0435, F.S., in a reference
thereto; reenacting s. 903.133, F.S., relating to bail
on appeal prohibited for certain felony convictions,
to incorporate the amendment made to s. 943.0435,
F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s.
907.043(4)(b), F.S., relating to pretrial release and
citizens' right to know, to incorporate the amendment
made to s. 943.0435, F.S., in a reference thereto;
reenacting s. 934.255(2)(a), F.S., relating to
subpoenas in investigations of sexual offenses, to

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incorporate the amendment made to s. 943.0435, F.S.,
in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 938.10(1), F.S.,
relating to additional court cost imposed in cases of
certain crimes, to incorporate the amendment made to
s. 943.0435, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting
s. 943.0436(2), F.S., relating to the duty of the
court to uphold laws governing sexual predators and
sexual offenders, to incorporate the amendment made to
s. 943.0435, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting
s. 943.0584(2), F.S., relating to criminal history
records ineligible for court-ordered expunction or
court-ordered sealing, to incorporate the amendment
made to s. 943.0435, F.S., in a reference thereto;
reenacting s. 943.0595(2)(a), F.S., relating to
automatic sealing of criminal history records and
confidentiality of related court records, to
incorporate the amendment made to s. 943.0435, F.S.,
in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 947.1405(12),
F.S., relating to the conditional release program, to
incorporate the amendment made to s. 943.0435, F.S.,
in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 948.013(2)(b),
F.S., relating to administrative probation, to
incorporate the amendment made to s. 943.0435, F.S.,
in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 948.05(2)(f),
F.S., relating to court to admonish or commend
probationer or offender in community control and
graduated incentives, to incorporate the amendment
made to s. 943.0435, F.S., in a reference thereto;
reenacting s. 948.06(4), F.S., relating to violation

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of probation or community control, revocation, modification, continuance, and failure to pay restitution or cost of supervision, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 943.0435, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 948.063, F.S., relating to violations of probation or community control by designated sexual offenders and sexual predators, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 943.0435, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 948.30(4), F.S., relating to additional terms and conditions of probation or community control for certain sex offenses, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 943.0435, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 948.31, F.S., relating to evaluation and treatment of sexual predators and offenders on probation or community control, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 943.0435, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 985.04(6)(b), F.S., relating to oaths, records, and confidential information, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 943.0435, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 1012.467(2)(b), F.S., relating to noninstructional contractors who are permitted access to school grounds when students are present and background screening requirements, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 943.0435, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 775.24(2), F.S., relating to the duty of the court to uphold laws governing sexual predators and sexual offenders, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 944.606, F.S., in

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a reference thereto; reenacting s. 775.25, F.S., relating to prosecutions for acts or omissions, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 944.606, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 943.0436(2), F.S., relating to the duty of the court to uphold laws governing sexual predators and sexual offenders, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 944.606, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 948.31, F.S., relating to evaluation and treatment of sexual predators and offenders on probation or community control, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 944.606, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 985.04(6)(b), F.S., relating to oaths, records, and confidential information, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 944.606, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 322.141(3), F.S., relating to color or markings of certain licenses or identification cards, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 944.607, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 775.13(4), F.S., relating to registration of convicted felons, exemptions, and penalties, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 944.607, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 775.24(2), F.S., relating to the duty of the court to uphold laws governing sexual predators and sexual offenders, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 944.607, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 775.25, F.S., relating to prosecutions for acts or omissions, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 944.607, F.S., in a reference

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thereto; reenacting s. 943.0436(2), F.S., relating to the duty of the court to uphold laws governing sexual predators and sexual offenders, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 944.607, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 948.06(4), F.S., relating to violation of probation or community control, revocation, modification, continuance, and failure to pay restitution or cost of supervision, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 944.607, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 948.063, F.S., relating to violations of probation or community control by designated sexual offenders and sexual predators, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 944.607, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 948.31, F.S., relating to evaluation and treatment of sexual predators and offenders on probation or community control, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 944.607, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 985.04(6)(b), F.S., relating to oaths, records, and confidential information, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 944.607, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Subsection (2) of section 92.565, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

92.565 Admissibility of confession in sexual abuse cases.—

(2) In any criminal action in which the defendant is

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378 charged with a crime against a victim under s. 787.06(3),
379 involving commercial sexual activity, or (5); s. 794.011; s.
380 794.05; s. 800.04; s. 826.04; s. 827.03, involving sexual abuse;
381 s. 827.04, involving sexual abuse; s. 827.071; or s.
382 847.0135(5), or any other crime involving sexual abuse of
383 another, or with any attempt, solicitation, or conspiracy to
384 commit any of these crimes, the defendant's memorialized
385 confession or admission is admissible during trial without the
386 state having to prove a corpus delicti of the crime if the court
387 finds in a hearing conducted outside the presence of the jury
388 that the state is unable to show the existence of each element
389 of the crime, and having so found, further finds that the
390 defendant's confession or admission is trustworthy. Factors
391 which may be relevant in determining whether the state is unable
392 to show the existence of each element of the crime include, but
393 are not limited to, the fact that, at the time the crime was
394 committed, the victim was:

- 395 (a) Physically helpless, mentally incapacitated, or
396 mentally defective, as those terms are defined in s. 794.011;
397 (b) Physically incapacitated due to age, infirmity, or any
398 other cause; or
399 (c) Less than 12 years of age.

400 Section 2. Paragraph (e) of subsection (2) of section
401 456.51, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

402 456.51 Consent for pelvic examinations.—

403 (2) A health care practitioner, a medical student, or any
404 other student receiving training as a health care practitioner
405 may not perform a pelvic examination on an anesthetized or
406 unconscious patient without the written consent of the patient

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or the patient's legal representative executed specific to, and expressly identifying, the pelvic examination. If the patient is conscious, informed verbal consent must be obtained for the pelvic examination in addition to any written consent obtained. Consent is not required if:

(e) The pelvic examination is administered pursuant to a criminal investigation of an alleged violation related to child abuse or neglect under s. 787.06(3)(a)1., (c)1., (f)1., or (g), or (5); chapter 794; chapter 796; chapter 800; chapter 827; or chapter 847.

Section 3. Paragraph (o) of subsection (1) of section 775.0877, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

775.0877 Criminal transmission of HIV; procedures; penalties.—

(1) In any case in which a person has been convicted of or has pled nolo contendere or guilty to, regardless of whether adjudication is withheld, any of the following offenses, or the attempt thereof, which offense or attempted offense involves the transmission of body fluids from one person to another:

(o) Sections 787.06(3)(b), (d), (f), and (g) and (5), relating to human trafficking, the court shall order the offender to undergo HIV testing, to be performed under the direction of the Department of Health in accordance with s. 381.004, unless the offender has undergone HIV testing voluntarily or pursuant to procedures established in s. 381.004(2)(h)6. or s. 951.27, or any other applicable law or rule providing for HIV testing of criminal offenders or inmates, subsequent to her or his arrest for an offense enumerated in paragraphs (a)-(n) for which she or he was convicted or to which

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she or he pled nolo contendere or guilty. The results of an HIV test performed on an offender pursuant to this subsection are not admissible in any criminal proceeding arising out of the alleged offense.

Section 4. Paragraph (a) of subsection (4) of section 775.21, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

775.21 The Florida Sexual Predators Act.—

(4) SEXUAL PREDATOR CRITERIA.—

(a) For a current offense committed on or after October 1, 1993, upon conviction, an offender shall be designated as a “sexual predator” under subsection (5), and subject to registration under subsection (6) and community and public notification under subsection (7) if:

1. The felony is:

a. A capital, life, or first degree felony violation, or any attempt thereof, of s. 787.01 or s. 787.02, where the victim is a minor, or s. 787.06(3)(f) or (g), where the victim is a minor, or (5); s. 794.011, s. 800.04, or s. 847.0145, or a violation of a similar law of another jurisdiction; or

b. Any felony violation, or any attempt thereof, of s. 393.135(2); s. 394.4593(2); s. 787.01, s. 787.02, or s. 787.025(2)(c), where the victim is a minor; s. 787.06(3)(b), (d), (f), or (g), or (5); former s. 787.06(3)(h); s. 794.011, excluding s. 794.011(10); s. 794.05; former s. 796.03; former s. 796.035; s. 800.04; s. 810.145(8)(b); s. 825.1025; s. 827.071; s. 847.0135, excluding s. 847.0135(6); s. 847.0145; s. 895.03, if the court makes a written finding that the racketeering activity involved at least one sexual offense listed in this sub-subparagraph or at least one offense listed in this sub-

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subparagraph with sexual intent or motive; s. 916.1075(2); or s. 985.701(1); or a violation of a similar law of another jurisdiction, and the offender has previously been convicted of or found to have committed, or has pled nolo contendere or guilty to, regardless of adjudication, any violation of s. 393.135(2); s. 394.4593(2); s. 787.01, s. 787.02, or s. 787.025(2) (c), where the victim is a minor; s. 787.06(3) (b), (d), (f), or (g), or (5); former s. 787.06(3) (h); s. 794.011, excluding s. 794.011(10); s. 794.05; former s. 796.03; former s. 796.035; s. 800.04; s. 825.1025; s. 827.071; s. 847.0133; s. 847.0135, excluding s. 847.0135(6); s. 847.0145; s. 895.03, if the court makes a written finding that the racketeering activity involved at least one sexual offense listed in this subparagraph or at least one offense listed in this subparagraph with sexual intent or motive; s. 916.1075(2); or s. 985.701(1); or a violation of a similar law of another jurisdiction;

2. The offender has not received a pardon for any felony or similar law of another jurisdiction that is necessary for the operation of this paragraph; and

3. A conviction of a felony or similar law of another jurisdiction necessary to the operation of this paragraph has not been set aside in any postconviction proceeding.

Section 5. Subsection (3) of section 787.01, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

787.01 Kidnapping; kidnapping of child under age 13, aggravating circumstances.—

(3) (a) A person who commits the offense of kidnapping upon a child under the age of 13 and who, in the course of committing

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the offense, commits one or more of the following:

1. Aggravated child abuse, as defined in s. 827.03;
2. Sexual battery, as defined in chapter 794, against the child;
3. Lewd or lascivious battery, lewd or lascivious molestation, lewd or lascivious conduct, or lewd or lascivious exhibition, in violation of s. 800.04 or s. 847.0135(5);
4. A violation of former s. 796.03 or s. 796.04, relating to prostitution, upon the child;
5. Exploitation of the child or allowing the child to be exploited, in violation of s. 450.151; or
6. A violation of s. 787.06(3)(g) or (5), relating to human trafficking, commits a life felony, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

(b) Pursuant to s. 775.021(4), nothing contained herein shall be construed to prohibit the imposition of separate judgments and sentences for the life felony described in paragraph (a) and for each separate offense enumerated in subparagraphs (a)1.-6. ~~subparagraphs (a)1.-5.~~

Section 6. Subsection (3) of section 787.02, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

787.02 False imprisonment; false imprisonment of child under age 13, aggravating circumstances.—

(3)(a) A person who commits the offense of false imprisonment upon a child under the age of 13 and who, in the course of committing the offense, commits any offense enumerated in subparagraphs (a)1.-6. ~~subparagraphs 1.-5.~~, commits a felony of the first degree, punishable by imprisonment for a term of years not exceeding life or as provided in s. 775.082, s.

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775.083, or s. 775.084.

1. Aggravated child abuse, as defined in s. 827.03;

2. Sexual battery, as defined in chapter 794, against the child;

3. Lewd or lascivious battery, lewd or lascivious molestation, lewd or lascivious conduct, or lewd or lascivious exhibition, in violation of s. 800.04 or s. 847.0135(5);

4. A violation of former s. 796.03 or s. 796.04, relating to prostitution, upon the child;

5. Exploitation of the child or allowing the child to be exploited, in violation of s. 450.151; or

6. A violation of s. 787.06(3)(g) or (5), relating to human trafficking.

(b) Pursuant to s. 775.021(4), nothing contained herein shall be construed to prohibit the imposition of separate judgments and sentences for the first degree offense described in paragraph (a) and for each separate offense enumerated in subparagraphs (a)1.-6. ~~(a)1.-5.~~

Section 7. Present paragraphs (i) through (k) of subsection (2) of section 787.06, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as paragraphs (j) through (l), respectively, present subsections (5) through (13) of that section are redesignated as subsections (6) through (14), respectively, a new paragraph (i) is added to subsection (2) of that section, and a new subsection (5) is added to that section, to read:

787.06 Human trafficking.—

(2) As used in this section, the term:

(i) "Sexual exploitation" means any violation of s. 794.011, excluding s. 794.011(10).

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552 (5) (a) Any person 18 years of age or older who knowingly
553 initiates, organizes, plans, finances, directs, manages, or
554 supervises a venture that has subjected a child younger than 12
555 years of age, or a person who is mentally defective or mentally
556 incapacitated as those terms are defined in s. 794.011(1), to
557 human trafficking for sexual exploitation commits capital human
558 trafficking of vulnerable persons for sexual exploitation, a
559 capital felony punishable as provided in ss. 775.082 and
560 921.1427.

561 (b) For each instance of human trafficking of any
562 individual under paragraph (a), a separate crime is committed
563 and a separate punishment is authorized.

564 (c) In all capital cases under this subsection, the
565 procedure in s. 921.1427 shall be followed to determine a
566 sentence of death or life imprisonment.

567 (d) If the prosecutor intends to seek the death penalty,
568 the prosecutor must give notice to the defendant and file the
569 notice with the court within 45 days after arraignment. The
570 notice must contain a list of the aggravating factors the state
571 intends to prove and has reason to believe it can prove beyond a
572 reasonable doubt. The court may allow the prosecutor to amend
573 the notice upon a showing of good cause.

574 Section 8. Section 921.1427, Florida Statutes, is created
575 to read:

576 921.1427 Sentence of death or life imprisonment for capital
577 human trafficking of vulnerable persons for sexual exploitation;
578 further proceedings to determine sentence.-

579 (1) INTENT.-

580 (a) The Legislature finds that a person who commits the

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581 offense of initiating, organizing, planning, financing,
582 directing, managing, or supervising a venture that has subjected
583 a child younger than 12 years of age, or a person who is
584 mentally defective or mentally incapacitated, to human
585 trafficking for sexual exploitation in violation of s. 787.06(5)
586 imposes a great risk of death and danger to vulnerable members
587 of this state. Such crimes exploit society's most vulnerable
588 citizens, destroy the innocence of young children, and violate
589 all standards of decency held by civilized society, and persons
590 who commit such acts against such vulnerable persons may be
591 determined by the trier of fact to have a culpable mental state
592 of reckless indifference or disregard for human life.

593 (b) It is the intent of the Legislature that the procedure
594 in this section shall be followed, and a prosecutor must file
595 notice as provided in s. 787.06(5) if he or she intends to seek
596 the death penalty.

597 (2) SEPARATE PROCEEDINGS ON ISSUE OF PENALTY.—Upon
598 conviction or an adjudication of guilt of a defendant of a
599 capital felony under s. 787.06(5), the court shall conduct a
600 separate sentencing proceeding to determine whether the
601 defendant should be sentenced to death or life imprisonment as
602 authorized by s. 775.082. The proceeding shall be conducted by
603 the trial judge before the trial jury as soon as practicable.
604 If, through impossibility or inability, the trial jury is unable
605 to reconvene for a hearing on the issue of penalty, having
606 determined the guilt of the accused, the trial judge may summon
607 a special juror or jurors as provided in chapter 913 to
608 determine the issue of the imposition of the penalty. If the
609 trial jury has been waived, or if the defendant pleaded guilty,

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the sentencing proceeding shall be conducted before a jury impaneled for that purpose, unless waived by the defendant. In the proceeding, evidence may be presented as to any matter that the court deems relevant to the nature of the crime and the character of the defendant and shall include matters relating to any of the aggravating factors enumerated in subsection (7) and for which notice has been provided pursuant to s. 787.06(5) or mitigating circumstances enumerated in subsection (8). Any such evidence that the court deems to have probative value may be received, regardless of its admissibility under the exclusionary rules of evidence, provided the defendant is accorded a fair opportunity to rebut any hearsay statements. However, this subsection may not be construed to authorize the introduction of any evidence secured in violation of the United States Constitution or the State Constitution. The state and the defendant or the defendant's counsel shall be permitted to present argument for or against a sentence of death.

(3) FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDED SENTENCE BY THE JURY.—This subsection applies only if the defendant has not waived his or her right to a sentencing proceeding by a jury.

(a) After hearing all of the evidence presented regarding aggravating factors and mitigating circumstances, the jury shall deliberate and determine if the state has proven, beyond a reasonable doubt, the existence of at least two aggravating factors set forth in subsection (7).

(b) The jury shall return findings identifying each aggravating factor found to exist. A finding that at least two aggravating factors exist must be unanimous. If the jury:

1. Does not unanimously find at least two aggravating

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639 factors, the defendant is ineligible for a sentence of death.

640 2. Unanimously finds at least two aggravating factors, the
641 defendant is eligible for a sentence of death and the jury shall
642 make a recommendation to the court as to whether the defendant
643 shall be sentenced to life imprisonment without the possibility
644 of parole or to death. The recommendation shall be based on a
645 weighing of all of the following:

646 a. Whether sufficient aggravating factors exist.

647 b. Whether aggravating factors exist which outweigh the
648 mitigating circumstances found to exist.

649 c. Based on the considerations in sub-subparagraphs a. and
650 b., whether the defendant should be sentenced to life
651 imprisonment without the possibility of parole or to death.

652 (c) If at least eight jurors determine that the defendant
653 should be sentenced to death, the jury's recommendation to the
654 court shall be a sentence of death. If fewer than eight jurors
655 determine that the defendant should be sentenced to death, the
656 jury's recommendation to the court shall be a sentence of life
657 imprisonment without the possibility of parole.

658 (4) IMPOSITION OF SENTENCE OF LIFE IMPRISONMENT OR DEATH.—

659 (a) If the jury has recommended a sentence of:

660 1. Life imprisonment without the possibility of parole, the
661 court shall impose the recommended sentence of life imprisonment
662 without the possibility of parole.

663 2. Death, the court, after considering each aggravating
664 factor found by the jury and all mitigating circumstances, may
665 impose a sentence of life imprisonment without the possibility
666 of parole or a sentence of death. The court may consider only an
667 aggravating factor that was unanimously found to exist by the

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668 jury. The court may impose a sentence of death only if the jury
669 unanimously found at least two aggravating factors beyond a
670 reasonable doubt.

671 (b) If the defendant waived his or her right to a
672 sentencing proceeding by a jury, the court, after considering
673 all aggravating factors and mitigating circumstances, may impose
674 a sentence of life imprisonment without the possibility of
675 parole or a sentence of death. The court may impose a sentence
676 of death only if the court finds that at least two aggravating
677 factors have been proven to exist beyond a reasonable doubt.

678 (5) ORDER OF THE COURT IN SUPPORT OF SENTENCE OF LIFE
679 IMPRISONMENT OR DEATH.—In each case in which the court imposes a
680 sentence of life imprisonment without the possibility of parole
681 or a sentence of death, the court shall, considering the records
682 of the trial and the sentencing proceedings, enter a written
683 order addressing the aggravating factors set forth in subsection
684 (7) found to exist, the mitigating circumstances in subsection
685 (8) reasonably established by the evidence, whether there are
686 sufficient aggravating factors to warrant the death penalty, and
687 whether the aggravating factors outweigh the mitigating
688 circumstances reasonably established by the evidence. The court
689 shall include in its written order the reasons for not accepting
690 the jury's recommended sentence, if applicable. If the court
691 does not issue its order requiring the death sentence within 30
692 days after the rendition of the judgment and sentence, the court
693 shall impose a sentence of life imprisonment without the
694 possibility of parole in accordance with s. 775.082.

695 (6) REVIEW OF JUDGMENT AND SENTENCE.—The judgment of
696 conviction and sentence of death shall be subject to automatic

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review by the Supreme Court and disposition rendered within 2 years after the filing of a notice of appeal. Such review by the Supreme Court shall have priority over all other cases and shall be heard in accordance with rules adopted by the Supreme Court.

(7) AGGRAVATING FACTORS.—Aggravating factors shall be limited to the following:

(a) The capital felony was committed by a person previously convicted of a felony violation under s. 787.06 and under sentence of imprisonment or placed on community control or on felony probation.

(b) The defendant was previously convicted of another capital felony or of a felony involving the use or threat of violence to the person.

(c) The capital felony was committed by a person designated as a sexual predator pursuant to s. 775.21 or a person previously designated as a sexual predator who had the sexual predator designation removed.

(d) The capital felony was committed by a sexual offender who is required to register pursuant to s. 943.0435 or a person previously required to register as a sexual offender who had such requirement removed.

(e) The defendant knowingly created a great risk of death to one or more persons such that participation in the offense constituted reckless indifference or disregard for human life.

(f) The defendant used a firearm or knowingly directed, advised, authorized, or assisted another to use a firearm to threaten, intimidate, assault, or injure a person in committing the offense or in furtherance of the offense.

(g) The capital felony was especially heinous, atrocious,

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726 or cruel.

727 (h) The victim of the capital felony was particularly
728 vulnerable due to age or disability, or because the defendant
729 stood in a position of familial or custodial authority over the
730 victim.

731 (i) The capital felony was committed by a person subject to
732 an injunction issued pursuant to s. 741.30 or s. 784.046, or a
733 foreign protection order accorded full faith and credit pursuant
734 to s. 741.315, and was committed against the petitioner who
735 obtained the injunction or protection order or any spouse,
736 child, sibling, or parent of the petitioner.

737 (j) The victim of the capital felony sustained serious
738 bodily injury.

739 (8) MITIGATING CIRCUMSTANCES.—Mitigating circumstances
740 shall include the following:

741 (a) The defendant has no significant history of prior
742 criminal activity.

743 (b) The capital felony was committed while the defendant
744 was under the influence of extreme mental or emotional
745 disturbance.

746 (c) The defendant was an accomplice in the capital felony
747 committed by another person, and the defendant's participation
748 was relatively minor.

749 (d) The defendant was under extreme duress or under the
750 substantial domination of another person.

751 (e) The capacity of the defendant to appreciate the
752 criminality of her or his conduct or to conform his or her
753 conduct to the requirements of law was substantially impaired.

754 (f) The age of the defendant at the time of the offense.

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755 (g) The defendant could not have reasonably foreseen that
756 his or her conduct in the course of the commission of the
757 offense would cause or would create a grave risk of death to one
758 or more persons.

759 (h) The existence of any other factors in the defendant's
760 background that would mitigate against imposition of the death
761 penalty.

762 (9) VICTIM IMPACT EVIDENCE.—Once the prosecution has
763 provided evidence of the existence of two or more aggravating
764 factors as described in subsection (7), the prosecution may
765 introduce and subsequently argue victim impact evidence to the
766 jury. Such evidence shall be designed to demonstrate the
767 victim's uniqueness as an individual human being and the
768 physical and psychological harm to the victim. Characterizations
769 and opinions about the crime, the defendant, and the appropriate
770 sentence may not be permitted as a part of victim impact
771 evidence.

772 (10) CONSTITUTIONALITY.—Notwithstanding s. 775.082(2) or s.
773 775.15, or any other provision of law, a sentence of death shall
774 be imposed under this section notwithstanding existing case law
775 which holds that such a sentence is unconstitutional under the
776 State Constitution and the United States Constitution. In any
777 case for which the Florida Supreme Court or the United States
778 Supreme Court reviews a sentence of death imposed pursuant to
779 this section, and in making such a review reconsiders the prior
780 holdings in *Buford v. State of Florida*, 403 So. 2d 943 (Fla.
781 1981), and *Kennedy v. Louisiana*, 554 U.S. 407 (2008), and
782 determines that a sentence of death remains unconstitutional,
783 the court having jurisdiction over the person previously

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784 sentenced to death shall cause such person to be brought before
785 the court, and the court shall sentence such person to life
786 imprisonment as provided in s. 775.082(1).

787 (11) APPLICABILITY.—This section applies to any capital
788 felony under s. 787.06(5) which is committed on or after October
789 1, 2025.

790 Section 9. Paragraph (o) is added to subsection (1) of
791 section 924.07, Florida Statutes, to read:

792 924.07 Appeal by state.—

793 (1) The state may appeal from:

794 (o) The sentence in a case of capital human trafficking of
795 vulnerable persons for sexual exploitation on the ground that it
796 resulted from the circuit court's failure to comply with
797 sentencing procedures under s. 921.1427, including by striking a
798 notice of intent to seek the death penalty, refusing to impanel
799 a capital jury, or otherwise granting relief that prevents the
800 state from seeking a sentence of death.

801 Section 10. Paragraph (h) of subsection (1) of section
802 943.0435, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

803 943.0435 Sexual offenders required to register with the
804 department; penalty.—

805 (1) As used in this section, the term:

806 (h)1. "Sexual offender" means a person who meets the
807 criteria in sub-subparagraph a., sub-subparagraph b., sub-
808 subparagraph c., or sub-subparagraph d., as follows:

809 a.(I) Has been convicted of committing, or attempting,
810 soliciting, or conspiring to commit, any of the criminal
811 offenses proscribed in the following statutes in this state or
812 similar offenses in another jurisdiction: s. 393.135(2); s.

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394.4593(2); s. 787.01, s. 787.02, or s. 787.025(2)(c), where the victim is a minor; s. 787.06(3)(b), (d), (f), or (g), or (5); former s. 787.06(3)(h); s. 794.011, excluding s. 794.011(10); s. 794.05; former s. 796.03; former s. 796.035; s. 800.04; s. 810.145(8); s. 825.1025; s. 827.071; s. 847.0133; s. 847.0135, excluding s. 847.0135(6); s. 847.0137; s. 847.0138; s. 847.0145; s. 895.03, if the court makes a written finding that the racketeering activity involved at least one sexual offense listed in this sub-sub-subparagraph or at least one offense listed in this sub-sub-subparagraph with sexual intent or motive; s. 916.1075(2); or s. 985.701(1); or any similar offense committed in this state which has been redesignated from a former statute number to one of those listed in this sub-sub-subparagraph; and

(II) Has been released on or after October 1, 1997, from a sanction imposed for any conviction of an offense described in sub-sub-subparagraph (I) and does not otherwise meet the criteria for registration as a sexual offender under chapter 944 or chapter 985. For purposes of this sub-sub-subparagraph, a sanction imposed in this state or in any other jurisdiction means probation, community control, parole, conditional release, control release, or incarceration in a state prison, federal prison, contractor-operated correctional facility, or local detention facility. If no sanction is imposed, the person is deemed to be released upon conviction;

b. Establishes or maintains a residence in this state and who has not been designated as a sexual predator by a court of this state but who has been designated as a sexual predator, as a sexually violent predator, or any other sexual offender

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842 designation in another state or jurisdiction and was, as a
843 result of such designation, subjected to registration or
844 community or public notification, or both, or would be if the
845 person were a resident of that state or jurisdiction, without
846 regard to whether the person otherwise meets the criteria for
847 registration as a sexual offender;

848 c. Establishes or maintains a residence in this state who
849 is in the custody or control of, or under the supervision of,
850 any other state or jurisdiction as a result of a conviction for
851 committing, or attempting, soliciting, or conspiring to commit,
852 any of the criminal offenses proscribed in the following
853 statutes or similar offense in another jurisdiction: s.
854 393.135(2); s. 394.4593(2); s. 787.01, s. 787.02, or s.
855 787.025(2)(c), where the victim is a minor; s. 787.06(3)(b),
856 (d), (f), or (g), or (5); former s. 787.06(3)(h); s. 794.011,
857 excluding s. 794.011(10); s. 794.05; former s. 796.03; former s.
858 796.035; s. 800.04; s. 810.145(8); s. 825.1025; s. 827.071; s.
859 847.0133; s. 847.0135, excluding s. 847.0135(6); s. 847.0137; s.
860 847.0138; s. 847.0145; s. 895.03, if the court makes a written
861 finding that the racketeering activity involved at least one
862 sexual offense listed in this sub-subparagraph or at least one
863 offense listed in this sub-subparagraph with sexual intent or
864 motive; s. 916.1075(2); or s. 985.701(1); or any similar offense
865 committed in this state which has been redesignated from a
866 former statute number to one of those listed in this sub-
867 subparagraph; or

868 d. On or after July 1, 2007, has been adjudicated
869 delinquent for committing, or attempting, soliciting, or
870 conspiring to commit, any of the criminal offenses proscribed in

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the following statutes in this state or similar offenses in another jurisdiction when the juvenile was 14 years of age or older at the time of the offense:

(I) Section 794.011, excluding s. 794.011(10);

(II) Section 800.04(4)(a)2. where the victim is under 12 years of age or where the court finds sexual activity by the use of force or coercion;

(III) Section 800.04(5)(c)1. where the court finds molestation involving unclothed genitals;

(IV) Section 800.04(5)(d) where the court finds the use of force or coercion and unclothed genitals; or

(V) Any similar offense committed in this state which has been redesignated from a former statute number to one of those listed in this sub-subparagraph.

2. For all qualifying offenses listed in sub-subparagraph 1.d., the court shall make a written finding of the age of the offender at the time of the offense.

For each violation of a qualifying offense listed in this subsection, except for a violation of s. 794.011, the court shall make a written finding of the age of the victim at the time of the offense. For a violation of s. 800.04(4), the court shall also make a written finding indicating whether the offense involved sexual activity and indicating whether the offense involved force or coercion. For a violation of s. 800.04(5), the court shall also make a written finding that the offense did or did not involve unclothed genitals or genital area and that the offense did or did not involve the use of force or coercion.

Section 11. Paragraph (f) of subsection (1) of section

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944.606, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

944.606 Sexual offenders; notification upon release.—

(1) As used in this section, the term:

(f) "Sexual offender" means a person who has been convicted of committing, or attempting, soliciting, or conspiring to commit, any of the criminal offenses proscribed in the following statutes in this state or similar offenses in another jurisdiction: s. 393.135(2); s. 394.4593(2); s. 787.01, s. 787.02, or s. 787.025(2)(c), where the victim is a minor; s. 787.06(3)(b), (d), (f), or (g), or (5); former s. 787.06(3)(h); s. 794.011, excluding s. 794.011(10); s. 794.05; former s. 796.03; former s. 796.035; s. 800.04; s. 810.145(8); s. 825.1025; s. 827.071; s. 847.0133; s. 847.0135, excluding s. 847.0135(6); s. 847.0137; s. 847.0138; s. 847.0145; s. 895.03, if the court makes a written finding that the racketeering activity involved at least one sexual offense listed in this paragraph or at least one offense listed in this paragraph with sexual intent or motive; s. 916.1075(2); or s. 985.701(1); or any similar offense committed in this state which has been redesignated from a former statute number to one of those listed in this subsection, when the department has received verified information regarding such conviction; an offender's computerized criminal history record is not, in and of itself, verified information.

Section 12. Paragraph (f) of subsection (1) of section 944.607, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

944.607 Notification to Department of Law Enforcement of information on sexual offenders.—

(1) As used in this section, the term:

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(f) "Sexual offender" means a person who is in the custody or control of, or under the supervision of, the department or is in the custody of a contractor-operated correctional facility:

1. On or after October 1, 1997, as a result of a conviction for committing, or attempting, soliciting, or conspiring to commit, any of the criminal offenses proscribed in the following statutes in this state or similar offenses in another jurisdiction: s. 393.135(2); s. 394.4593(2); s. 787.01, s. 787.02, or s. 787.025(2)(c), where the victim is a minor; s. 787.06(3)(b), (d), (f), or (g), or (5); former s. 787.06(3)(h); s. 794.011, excluding s. 794.011(10); s. 794.05; former s. 796.03; former s. 796.035; s. 800.04; s. 810.145(8); s. 825.1025; s. 827.071; s. 847.0133; s. 847.0135, excluding s. 847.0135(6); s. 847.0137; s. 847.0138; s. 847.0145; s. 895.03, if the court makes a written finding that the racketeering activity involved at least one sexual offense listed in this subparagraph or at least one offense listed in this subparagraph with sexual intent or motive; s. 916.1075(2); or s. 985.701(1); or any similar offense committed in this state which has been redesignated from a former statute number to one of those listed in this paragraph; or

2. Who establishes or maintains a residence in this state and who has not been designated as a sexual predator by a court of this state but who has been designated as a sexual predator, as a sexually violent predator, or by another sexual offender designation in another state or jurisdiction and was, as a result of such designation, subjected to registration or community or public notification, or both, or would be if the person were a resident of that state or jurisdiction, without

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958 regard as to whether the person otherwise meets the criteria for
959 registration as a sexual offender.

960 Section 13. Subsection (1) of section 948.32, Florida
961 Statutes, is amended to read:

962 948.32 Requirements of law enforcement agency upon arrest
963 of persons for certain sex offenses.—

964 (1) When any state or local law enforcement agency
965 investigates or arrests a person for committing, or attempting,
966 soliciting, or conspiring to commit, a violation of s.
967 787.025(2)(c), s. 787.06(3)(g) or (5), chapter 794, former s.
968 796.03, s. 800.04, s. 827.071, s. 847.0133, s. 847.0135, or s.
969 847.0145, the law enforcement agency shall contact the
970 Department of Corrections to verify whether the person under
971 investigation or under arrest is on probation, community
972 control, parole, conditional release, or control release.

973 Section 14. Subsection (2) of section 960.065, Florida
974 Statutes, is amended to read:

975 960.065 Eligibility for awards.—

976 (2) Any claim filed by or on behalf of a person who:

977 (a) Committed or aided in the commission of the crime upon
978 which the claim for compensation was based;

979 (b) Was engaged in an unlawful activity at the time of the
980 crime upon which the claim for compensation is based, unless the
981 victim was engaged in prostitution as a result of being a victim
982 of human trafficking as described in s. 787.06(3)(b), (d), (f),
983 or (g) or (5);

984 (c) Was in custody or confined, regardless of conviction,
985 in a county or municipal detention facility, a state or federal
986 correctional facility, or a juvenile detention or commitment

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987 facility at the time of the crime upon which the claim for
988 compensation is based;

989 (d) Has been adjudicated as a habitual felony offender,
990 habitual violent offender, or violent career criminal under s.
991 775.084; or

992 (e) Has been adjudicated guilty of a forcible felony
993 offense as described in s. 776.08,
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995 is ineligible for an award.

996 Section 15. Subsection (4) of section 921.137, Florida
997 Statutes, is amended to read:

998 921.137 Imposition of the death sentence upon an
999 intellectually disabled defendant prohibited.—

1000 (4) After a defendant who has given notice of his or her
1001 intention to raise intellectual disability as a bar to the death
1002 sentence is convicted of a capital felony and an advisory jury
1003 has returned a recommended sentence of death, the defendant may
1004 file a motion to determine whether the defendant is
1005 intellectually disabled. Upon receipt of the motion, the court
1006 shall appoint two experts in the field of intellectual
1007 disabilities who shall evaluate the defendant and report their
1008 findings to the court and all interested parties prior to the
1009 final sentencing hearing. Notwithstanding s. 921.141, s.
1010 921.142, ~~or~~ s. 921.1425, or s. 921.1427, the final sentencing
1011 hearing shall be held without a jury. At the final sentencing
1012 hearing, the court shall consider the findings of the court-
1013 appointed experts and consider the findings of any other expert
1014 which is offered by the state or the defense on the issue of
1015 whether the defendant has an intellectual disability. If the

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1016 court finds, by clear and convincing evidence, that the
1017 defendant has an intellectual disability as defined in
1018 subsection (1), the court may not impose a sentence of death and
1019 shall enter a written order that sets forth with specificity the
1020 findings in support of the determination.

1021 Section 16. Subsection (9) of section 921.141, Florida
1022 Statutes, is amended to read:

1023 921.141 Sentence of death or life imprisonment for capital
1024 felonies; further proceedings to determine sentence.—

1025 (9) APPLICABILITY.—This section does not apply to a person
1026 convicted or adjudicated guilty of a capital sexual battery
1027 under s. 794.011, capital human trafficking of vulnerable
1028 persons for sexual exploitation under s. 787.06(5), or a capital
1029 drug trafficking felony under s. 893.135.

1030 Section 17. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment
1031 made by this act to section 775.21, Florida Statutes, in a
1032 reference thereto, paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section
1033 16.713, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

1034 16.713 Florida Gaming Control Commission; appointment and
1035 employment restrictions.—

1036 (1) PERSONS INELIGIBLE FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE COMMISSION.—
1037 The following persons are ineligible for appointment to the
1038 commission:

1039 (c) A person who has been convicted of or found guilty of
1040 or pled nolo contendere to, regardless of adjudication, in any
1041 jurisdiction, a crime listed in s. 775.21(4)(a)1. or s. 776.08.

1042 Section 18. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment
1043 made by this act to section 775.21, Florida Statutes, in a
1044 reference thereto, paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of section

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39.0139, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

39.0139 Visitation or other contact; restrictions.—

(3) PRESUMPTION OF DETRIMENT.—

(a) A rebuttable presumption of detriment to a child is created when:

1. A court of competent jurisdiction has found probable cause exists that a parent or caregiver has sexually abused a child as defined in s. 39.01;

2. A parent or caregiver has been found guilty of, regardless of adjudication, or has entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to, charges under the following statutes or substantially similar statutes of other jurisdictions:

a. Section 787.04, relating to removing minors from the state or concealing minors contrary to court order;

b. Section 794.011, relating to sexual battery;

c. Section 798.02, relating to lewd and lascivious behavior;

d. Chapter 800, relating to lewdness and indecent exposure;

e. Section 826.04, relating to incest; or

f. Chapter 827, relating to the abuse of children; or

3. A court of competent jurisdiction has determined a parent or caregiver to be a sexual predator as defined in s. 775.21 or a parent or caregiver has received a substantially similar designation under laws of another jurisdiction.

Section 19. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 775.21, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, paragraph (b) of subsection (6) of section 39.509, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

39.509 Grandparents rights.—Notwithstanding any other

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1074 provision of law, a maternal or paternal grandparent as well as
1075 a stepgrandparent is entitled to reasonable visitation with his
1076 or her grandchild who has been adjudicated a dependent child and
1077 taken from the physical custody of the parent unless the court
1078 finds that such visitation is not in the best interest of the
1079 child or that such visitation would interfere with the goals of
1080 the case plan. Reasonable visitation may be unsupervised and,
1081 where appropriate and feasible, may be frequent and continuing.
1082 Any order for visitation or other contact must conform to the
1083 provisions of s. 39.0139.

1084 (6) In determining whether grandparental visitation is not
1085 in the child's best interest, consideration may be given to the
1086 following:

1087 (b) The designation by a court as a sexual predator as
1088 defined in s. 775.21 or a substantially similar designation
1089 under laws of another jurisdiction.

1090 Section 20. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment
1091 made by this act to section 775.21, Florida Statutes, in
1092 references thereto, paragraphs (d) and (n) of subsection (1) of
1093 section 39.806, Florida Statutes, are reenacted to read:

1094 39.806 Grounds for termination of parental rights.—

1095 (1) Grounds for the termination of parental rights may be
1096 established under any of the following circumstances:

1097 (d) When the parent of a child is incarcerated and either:

1098 1. The period of time for which the parent is expected to
1099 be incarcerated will constitute a significant portion of the
1100 child's minority. When determining whether the period of time is
1101 significant, the court shall consider the child's age and the
1102 child's need for a permanent and stable home. The period of time

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begins on the date that the parent enters into incarceration;

2. The incarcerated parent has been determined by the court to be a violent career criminal as defined in s. 775.084, a habitual violent felony offender as defined in s. 775.084, or a sexual predator as defined in s. 775.21; has been convicted of first degree or second degree murder in violation of s. 782.04 or a sexual battery that constitutes a capital, life, or first degree felony violation of s. 794.011; or has been convicted of an offense in another jurisdiction which is substantially similar to one of the offenses listed in this paragraph. As used in this section, the term "substantially similar offense" means any offense that is substantially similar in elements and penalties to one of those listed in this subparagraph, and that is in violation of a law of any other jurisdiction, whether that of another state, the District of Columbia, the United States or any possession or territory thereof, or any foreign jurisdiction; or

3. The court determines by clear and convincing evidence that continuing the parental relationship with the incarcerated parent would be harmful to the child and, for this reason, that termination of the parental rights of the incarcerated parent is in the best interest of the child. When determining harm, the court shall consider the following factors:

- a. The age of the child.
- b. The relationship between the child and the parent.
- c. The nature of the parent's current and past provision for the child's developmental, cognitive, psychological, and physical needs.
- d. The parent's history of criminal behavior, which may

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include the frequency of incarceration and the unavailability of the parent to the child due to incarceration.

e. Any other factor the court deems relevant.

(n) The parent is convicted of an offense that requires the parent to register as a sexual predator under s. 775.21.

Section 21. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 775.21, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, paragraph (c) of subsection (9) of section 61.13, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

61.13 Support of children; parenting and time-sharing; powers of court.—

(9)

(c) A court may not order visitation at a recovery residence if any resident of the recovery residence is currently required to register as a sexual predator under s. 775.21 or as a sexual offender under s. 943.0435.

Section 22. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 775.21, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, paragraph (b) of subsection (4) of section 63.089, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

63.089 Proceeding to terminate parental rights pending adoption; hearing; grounds; dismissal of petition; judgment.—

(4) FINDING OF ABANDONMENT.—A finding of abandonment resulting in a termination of parental rights must be based upon clear and convincing evidence that a parent or person having legal custody has abandoned the child in accordance with the definition contained in s. 63.032. A finding of abandonment may also be based upon emotional abuse or a refusal to provide reasonable financial support, when able, to a birth mother

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1161 during her pregnancy or on whether the person alleged to have
1162 abandoned the child, while being able, failed to establish
1163 contact with the child or accept responsibility for the child's
1164 welfare.

1165 (b) The child has been abandoned when the parent of a child
1166 is incarcerated on or after October 1, 2001, in a federal,
1167 state, or county correctional institution and:

1168 1. The period of time for which the parent has been or is
1169 expected to be incarcerated will constitute a significant
1170 portion of the child's minority. In determining whether the
1171 period of time is significant, the court shall consider the
1172 child's age and the child's need for a permanent and stable
1173 home. The period of time begins on the date that the parent
1174 enters into incarceration;

1175 2. The incarcerated parent has been determined by a court
1176 of competent jurisdiction to be a violent career criminal as
1177 defined in s. 775.084, a habitual violent felony offender as
1178 defined in s. 775.084, convicted of child abuse as defined in s.
1179 827.03, or a sexual predator as defined in s. 775.21; has been
1180 convicted of first degree or second degree murder in violation
1181 of s. 782.04 or a sexual battery that constitutes a capital,
1182 life, or first degree felony violation of s. 794.011; or has
1183 been convicted of a substantially similar offense in another
1184 jurisdiction. As used in this section, the term "substantially
1185 similar offense" means any offense that is substantially similar
1186 in elements and penalties to one of those listed in this
1187 subparagraph, and that is in violation of a law of any other
1188 jurisdiction, whether that of another state, the District of
1189 Columbia, the United States or any possession or territory

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thereof, or any foreign jurisdiction; or

3. The court determines by clear and convincing evidence that continuing the parental relationship with the incarcerated parent would be harmful to the child and, for this reason, termination of the parental rights of the incarcerated parent is in the best interests of the child.

Section 23. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 775.21, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, subsection (3) of section 63.092, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

63.092 Report to the court of intended placement by an adoption entity; at-risk placement; preliminary study.—

(3) PRELIMINARY HOME STUDY.—Before placing the minor in the intended adoptive home, a preliminary home study must be performed by a licensed child-placing agency, a child-caring agency registered under s. 409.176, a licensed professional, or an agency described in s. 61.20(2), unless the adoptee is an adult or the petitioner is a stepparent or a relative. If the adoptee is an adult or the petitioner is a stepparent or a relative, a preliminary home study may be required by the court for good cause shown. The department is required to perform the preliminary home study only if there is no licensed child-placing agency, child-caring agency registered under s. 409.176, licensed professional, or agency described in s. 61.20(2), in the county where the prospective adoptive parents reside. The preliminary home study must be made to determine the suitability of the intended adoptive parents and may be completed before identification of a prospective adoptive minor. If the identified prospective adoptive minor is in the custody of the

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department, a preliminary home study must be completed within 30 days after it is initiated. A favorable preliminary home study is valid for 1 year after the date of its completion. Upon its completion, a signed copy of the home study must be provided to the intended adoptive parents who were the subject of the home study. A minor may not be placed in an intended adoptive home before a favorable preliminary home study is completed unless the adoptive home is also a licensed foster home under s.

409.175. The preliminary home study must include, at a minimum:

(a) An interview with the intended adoptive parents.

(b) Records checks of the department's central abuse registry, which the department shall provide to the entity conducting the preliminary home study, and criminal records correspondence checks under s. 39.0138 through the Department of Law Enforcement on the intended adoptive parents.

(c) An assessment of the physical environment of the home.

(d) A determination of the financial security of the intended adoptive parents.

(e) Documentation of counseling and education of the intended adoptive parents on adoptive parenting, as determined by the entity conducting the preliminary home study. The training specified in s. 409.175(14) shall only be required for persons who adopt children from the department.

(f) Documentation that information on adoption and the adoption process has been provided to the intended adoptive parents.

(g) Documentation that information on support services available in the community has been provided to the intended adoptive parents.

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(h) A copy of each signed acknowledgment of receipt of disclosure required by s. 63.085.

If the preliminary home study is favorable, a minor may be placed in the home pending entry of the judgment of adoption. A minor may not be placed in the home if the preliminary home study is unfavorable. If the preliminary home study is unfavorable, the adoption entity may, within 20 days after receipt of a copy of the written recommendation, petition the court to determine the suitability of the intended adoptive home. A determination as to suitability under this subsection does not act as a presumption of suitability at the final hearing. In determining the suitability of the intended adoptive home, the court must consider the totality of the circumstances in the home. A minor may not be placed in a home in which there resides any person determined by the court to be a sexual predator as defined in s. 775.21 or to have been convicted of an offense listed in s. 63.089(4)(b)2.

Section 24. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 775.21, Florida Statutes, in references thereto, paragraph (i) of subsection (3) and subsection (6) of section 68.07, Florida Statutes, are reenacted to read:

68.07 Change of name.—

(3) Each petition shall be verified and show:

(i) Whether the petitioner has ever been required to register as a sexual predator under s. 775.21 or as a sexual offender under s. 943.0435.

(6) The clerk of the court must, within 5 business days

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after the filing of the final judgment, send a report of the judgment to the Department of Law Enforcement on a form to be furnished by that department. If the petitioner is required to register as a sexual predator or a sexual offender pursuant to s. 775.21 or s. 943.0435, the clerk of court shall electronically notify the Department of Law Enforcement of the name change, in a manner prescribed by that department, within 2 business days after the filing of the final judgment. The Department of Law Enforcement must send a copy of the report to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, which may be delivered by electronic transmission. The report must contain sufficient information to identify the petitioner, including the results of the criminal history records check if applicable, the new name of the petitioner, and the file number of the judgment. The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles shall monitor the records of any sexual predator or sexual offender whose name has been provided to it by the Department of Law Enforcement. If the sexual predator or sexual offender does not obtain a replacement driver license or identification card within the required time as specified in s. 775.21 or s. 943.0435, the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles shall notify the Department of Law Enforcement. The Department of Law Enforcement shall notify applicable law enforcement agencies of the predator's or offender's failure to comply with registration requirements. Any information retained by the Department of Law Enforcement and the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles may be revised or supplemented by said departments to reflect changes made by the final judgment. With respect to a person convicted of a felony in another state or of

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1306 a federal offense, the Department of Law Enforcement must send
1307 the report to the respective state's office of law enforcement
1308 records or to the office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.
1309 The Department of Law Enforcement may forward the report to any
1310 other law enforcement agency it believes may retain information
1311 related to the petitioner.

1312 Section 25. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment
1313 made by this act to section 775.21, Florida Statutes, in a
1314 reference thereto, paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section
1315 92.55, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

1316 92.55 Special protections in proceedings involving victim
1317 or witness under 18, person with intellectual disability, or
1318 sexual offense victim.—

1319 (1) For purposes of this section, the term:

1320 (b) "Sexual offense" means any offense specified in s.
1321 775.21(4)(a)1. or s. 943.0435(1)(h)1.a.(I).

1322 Section 26. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment
1323 made by this act to section 775.21, Florida Statutes, in a
1324 reference thereto, subsection (3) of section 322.141, Florida
1325 Statutes, is reenacted to read:

1326 322.141 Color or markings of certain licenses or
1327 identification cards.—

1328 (3) All licenses for the operation of motor vehicles or
1329 identification cards originally issued or reissued by the
1330 department to persons who are designated as sexual predators
1331 under s. 775.21 or subject to registration as sexual offenders
1332 under s. 943.0435 or s. 944.607, or who have a similar
1333 designation or are subject to a similar registration under the
1334 laws of another jurisdiction, shall have on the front of the

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license or identification card the following:

(a) For a person designated as a sexual predator under s. 775.21 or who has a similar designation under the laws of another jurisdiction, the marking "SEXUAL PREDATOR."

(b) For a person subject to registration as a sexual offender under s. 943.0435 or s. 944.607, or subject to a similar registration under the laws of another jurisdiction, the marking "943.0435, F.S."

Section 27. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 775.21, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, paragraph (b) of subsection (10) of section 397.487, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

397.487 Voluntary certification of recovery residences.—

(10)

(b) A certified recovery residence may not allow a minor child to visit a parent who is a resident of the recovery residence at any time if any resident of the recovery residence is currently required to register as a sexual predator under s. 775.21 or as a sexual offender under s. 943.0435.

Section 28. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 775.21, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, paragraph (b) of subsection (4) of section 435.07, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

435.07 Exemptions from disqualification.—Unless otherwise provided by law, the provisions of this section apply to exemptions from disqualification for disqualifying offenses revealed pursuant to background screenings required under this chapter, regardless of whether those disqualifying offenses are listed in this chapter or other laws.

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(4)

(b) Disqualification from employment or affiliation under this chapter may not be removed from, nor may an exemption be granted to, any person who is a:

1. Sexual predator as designated pursuant to s. 775.21;
2. Career offender pursuant to s. 775.261; or
3. Sexual offender pursuant to s. 943.0435, unless the requirement to register as a sexual offender has been removed pursuant to s. 943.04354.

Section 29. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 775.21, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, paragraph (b) of subsection (3) of section 455.213, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

455.213 General licensing provisions.—

(3)

(b)1. A conviction, or any other adjudication, for a crime more than 5 years before the date the application is received by the applicable board may not be grounds for denial of a license specified in paragraph (a). For purposes of this paragraph, the term "conviction" means a determination of guilt that is the result of a plea or trial, regardless of whether adjudication is withheld. This paragraph does not limit the applicable board from considering an applicant's criminal history that includes a crime listed in s. 775.21(4)(a)1. or s. 776.08 at any time, but only if such criminal history has been found to relate to the practice of the applicable profession.

2. The applicable board may consider the criminal history of an applicant for licensure under subparagraph (a)3. if such criminal history has been found to relate to good moral

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character.

Section 30. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 775.21, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, subsection (7) of section 489.553, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

489.553 Administration of part; registration qualifications; examination.—

(7) Notwithstanding any other law, a conviction, or any other adjudication, for a crime more than 5 years before the date the application is received by the department or other applicable authority may not be grounds for denial of registration. For purposes of this subsection, the term "conviction" means a determination of guilt that is the result of a plea or trial, regardless of whether adjudication is withheld. This subsection does not limit a board from considering an applicant's criminal history that includes any crime listed in s. 775.21(4)(a)1. or s. 776.08 at any time, but only if such criminal history has been found to relate to the practice of the applicable profession, or any crime if it has been found to relate to good moral character.

Section 31. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 775.21, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, subsection (10) of section 507.07, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

507.07 Violations.—It is a violation of this chapter:

(10) For a mover or a moving broker to knowingly refuse or fail to disclose in writing to a customer before a household move that the mover, or an employee or subcontractor of the mover or moving broker, who has access to the dwelling or

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property of the customer, including access to give a quote for the move, has been convicted of a felony listed in s. 775.21(4)(a)1. or convicted of a similar offense of another jurisdiction, regardless of when such felony offense was committed.

Section 32. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 775.21, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, subsection (4) of section 775.13, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

775.13 Registration of convicted felons, exemptions; penalties.—

(4) This section does not apply to an offender:

(a) Who has had his or her civil rights restored;

(b) Who has received a full pardon for the offense for which convicted;

(c) Who has been lawfully released from incarceration or other sentence or supervision for a felony conviction for more than 5 years prior to such time for registration, unless the offender is a fugitive from justice on a felony charge or has been convicted of any offense since release from such incarceration or other sentence or supervision;

(d) Who is a parolee or probationer under the supervision of the United States Parole Commission if the commission knows of and consents to the presence of the offender in Florida or is a probationer under the supervision of any federal probation officer in the state or who has been lawfully discharged from such parole or probation;

(e) Who is a sexual predator and has registered as required under s. 775.21;

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1451 (f) Who is a sexual offender and has registered as required
1452 in s. 943.0435 or s. 944.607; or

1453 (g) Who is a career offender who has registered as required
1454 in s. 775.261 or s. 944.609.

1455 Section 33. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment
1456 made by this act to section 775.21, Florida Statutes, in a
1457 reference thereto, section 775.25, Florida Statutes, is
1458 reenacted to read:

1459 775.25 Prosecutions for acts or omissions.—A sexual
1460 predator or sexual offender who commits any act or omission in
1461 violation of s. 775.21, s. 943.0435, s. 944.605, s. 944.606, s.
1462 944.607, or former s. 947.177 may be prosecuted for the act or
1463 omission in the county in which the act or omission was
1464 committed, in the county of the last registered address of the
1465 sexual predator or sexual offender, in the county in which the
1466 conviction occurred for the offense or offenses that meet the
1467 criteria for designating a person as a sexual predator or sexual
1468 offender, in the county where the sexual predator or sexual
1469 offender was released from incarceration, or in the county of
1470 the intended address of the sexual predator or sexual offender
1471 as reported by the predator or offender prior to his or her
1472 release from incarceration. In addition, a sexual predator may
1473 be prosecuted for any such act or omission in the county in
1474 which he or she was designated a sexual predator.

1475 Section 34. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment
1476 made by this act to section 775.21, Florida Statutes, in a
1477 reference thereto, subsection (1) of section 794.075, Florida
1478 Statutes, is reenacted to read:

1479 794.075 Sexual predators; erectile dysfunction drugs.—

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(1) A person may not possess a prescription drug, as defined in s. 499.003(40), for the purpose of treating erectile dysfunction if the person is designated as a sexual predator under s. 775.21.

Section 35. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 775.21, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, paragraph (cc) of subsection (2) of section 900.05, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

900.05 Criminal justice data collection.—

(2) DEFINITIONS.—As used in this section, the term:

(cc) "Sexual offender flag" means an indication that a defendant was required to register as a sexual predator as defined in s. 775.21 or as a sexual offender as defined in s. 943.0435.

Section 36. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 775.21, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section 903.0351, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

903.0351 Restrictions on pretrial release pending probation-violation hearing or community-control-violation hearing.—

(1) In the instance of an alleged violation of felony probation or community control, bail or any other form of pretrial release shall not be granted prior to the resolution of the probation-violation hearing or the community-control-violation hearing to:

(c) A person who is on felony probation or community control and has previously been found by a court to be a habitual violent felony offender as defined in s. 775.084(1)(b),

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a three-time violent felony offender as defined in s. 775.084(1)(c), or a sexual predator under s. 775.21, and who is arrested for committing a qualifying offense as defined in s. 948.06(8)(c) on or after the effective date of this act.

Section 37. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 775.21, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, paragraph (m) of subsection (2) of section 903.046, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

903.046 Purpose of and criteria for bail determination.—

(2) When determining whether to release a defendant on bail or other conditions, and what that bail or those conditions may be, the court shall consider:

(m) Whether the defendant, other than a defendant whose only criminal charge is a misdemeanor offense under chapter 316, is required to register as a sexual offender under s. 943.0435 or a sexual predator under s. 775.21; and, if so, he or she is not eligible for release on bail or surety bond until the first appearance on the case in order to ensure the full participation of the prosecutor and the protection of the public.

Section 38. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 775.21, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, subsection (3) of section 903.133, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

903.133 Bail on appeal; prohibited for certain felony convictions.—Notwithstanding s. 903.132, no person shall be admitted to bail pending review either by posttrial motion or appeal if he or she was adjudged guilty of:

(3) Any other offense requiring sexual offender registration under s. 943.0435(1)(h) or sexual predator

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1538 registration under s. 775.21(4) when, at the time of the
1539 offense, the offender was 18 years of age or older and the
1540 victim was a minor.

1541 Section 39. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment
1542 made by this act to section 775.21, Florida Statutes, in a
1543 reference thereto, paragraph (b) of subsection (4) of section
1544 907.043, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

1545 907.043 Pretrial release; citizens' right to know.—

1546 (4)

1547 (b) The annual report must contain, but need not be limited
1548 to:

1549 1. The name, location, and funding sources of the pretrial
1550 release program, including the amount of public funds, if any,
1551 received by the pretrial release program.

1552 2. The operating and capital budget of each pretrial
1553 release program receiving public funds.

1554 3.a. The percentage of the pretrial release program's total
1555 budget representing receipt of public funds.

1556 b. The percentage of the total budget which is allocated to
1557 assisting defendants obtain release through a nonpublicly funded
1558 program.

1559 c. The amount of fees paid by defendants to the pretrial
1560 release program.

1561 4. The number of persons employed by the pretrial release
1562 program.

1563 5. The number of defendants assessed and interviewed for
1564 pretrial release.

1565 6. The number of defendants recommended for pretrial
1566 release.

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1567 7. The number of defendants for whom the pretrial release
1568 program recommended against nonsecured release.

1569 8. The number of defendants granted nonsecured release
1570 after the pretrial release program recommended nonsecured
1571 release.

1572 9. The number of defendants assessed and interviewed for
1573 pretrial release who were declared indigent by the court.

1574 10. The number of defendants accepted into a pretrial
1575 release program who paid a surety or cash bail or bond.

1576 11. The number of defendants for whom a risk assessment
1577 tool was used in determining whether the defendant should be
1578 released pending the disposition of the case and the number of
1579 defendants for whom a risk assessment tool was not used.

1580 12. The specific statutory citation for each criminal
1581 charge related to a defendant whose case is accepted into a
1582 pretrial release program, including, at a minimum, the number of
1583 defendants charged with dangerous crimes as defined in s.
1584 907.041; nonviolent felonies; or misdemeanors only. A
1585 "nonviolent felony" for purposes of this subparagraph excludes
1586 the commission of, an attempt to commit, or a conspiracy to
1587 commit any of the following:

1588 a. An offense enumerated in s. 775.084(1)(c);

1589 b. An offense that requires a person to register as a
1590 sexual predator in accordance with s. 775.21 or as a sexual
1591 offender in accordance with s. 943.0435;

1592 c. Failure to register as a sexual predator in violation of
1593 s. 775.21 or as a sexual offender in violation of s. 943.0435;

1594 d. Facilitating or furthering terrorism in violation of s.
1595 775.31;

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e. A forcible felony as described in s. 776.08;

f. False imprisonment in violation of s. 787.02;

g. Burglary of a dwelling or residence in violation of s. 810.02(3);

h. Abuse, aggravated abuse, and neglect of an elderly person or disabled adult in violation of s. 825.102;

i. Abuse, aggravated abuse, and neglect of a child in violation of s. 827.03;

j. Poisoning of food or water in violation of s. 859.01;

k. Abuse of a dead human body in violation of s. 872.06;

l. A capital offense in violation of chapter 893;

m. An offense that results in serious bodily injury or death to another human; or

n. A felony offense in which the defendant used a weapon or firearm in the commission of the offense.

13. The number of defendants accepted into a pretrial release program with no prior criminal conviction.

14. The name and case number of each person granted nonsecured release who:

a. Failed to attend a scheduled court appearance.

b. Was issued a warrant for failing to appear.

c. Was arrested for any offense while on release through the pretrial release program.

15. Any additional information deemed necessary by the governing body to assess the performance and cost efficiency of the pretrial release program.

Section 40. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 775.21, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, subsection (1) of section 938.10, Florida

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Statutes, is reenacted to read:

938.10 Additional court cost imposed in cases of certain crimes.—

(1) If a person pleads guilty or nolo contendere to, or is found guilty of, regardless of adjudication, any offense against a minor in violation of s. 784.085, chapter 787, chapter 794, former s. 796.03, former s. 796.035, s. 800.04, chapter 827, s. 847.012, s. 847.0133, s. 847.0135(5), s. 847.0138, s. 847.0145, s. 893.147(3), or s. 985.701, or any offense in violation of s. 775.21, s. 823.07, s. 847.0125, s. 847.0134, or s. 943.0435, the court shall impose a court cost of \$151 against the offender in addition to any other cost or penalty required by law.

Section 41. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 775.21, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, subsection (5) of section 943.0435, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

943.0435 Sexual offenders required to register with the department; penalty.—

(5) This section does not apply to a sexual offender who is also a sexual predator, as defined in s. 775.21. A sexual predator must register as required under s. 775.21.

Section 42. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 775.21, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, subsection (2) of section 943.0584, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

943.0584 Criminal history records ineligible for court-ordered expunction or court-ordered sealing.—

(2) A criminal history record is ineligible for a certificate of eligibility for expunction or a court-ordered

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expunction pursuant to s. 943.0585 or a certificate of eligibility for sealing or a court-ordered sealing pursuant to s. 943.059 if the record is a conviction for any of the following offenses:

- (a) Sexual misconduct, as defined in s. 393.135, s. 394.4593, or s. 916.1075;
- (b) Illegal use of explosives, as defined in chapter 552;
- (c) Terrorism, as defined in s. 775.30;
- (d) Murder, as defined in s. 782.04, s. 782.065, or s. 782.09;
- (e) Manslaughter or homicide, as defined in s. 782.07, s. 782.071, or s. 782.072;
- (f) Assault or battery, as defined in ss. 784.011 and 784.03, respectively, of one family or household member by another family or household member, as defined in s. 741.28(3);
- (g) Aggravated assault, as defined in s. 784.021;
- (h) Felony battery, domestic battery by strangulation, or aggravated battery, as defined in ss. 784.03, 784.041, and 784.045, respectively;
- (i) Stalking or aggravated stalking, as defined in s. 784.048;
- (j) Luring or enticing a child, as defined in s. 787.025;
- (k) Human trafficking, as defined in s. 787.06;
- (l) Kidnapping or false imprisonment, as defined in s. 787.01 or s. 787.02;
- (m) Any offense defined in chapter 794;
- (n) Procuring a person less than 18 years of age for prostitution, as defined in former s. 796.03;
- (o) Lewd or lascivious offenses committed upon or in the

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presence of persons less than 16 years of age, as defined in s.
800.04;

(p) Arson, as defined in s. 806.01;

(q) Burglary of a dwelling, as defined in s. 810.02;

(r) Voyeurism or digital voyeurism, as defined in ss.
810.14 and 810.145, respectively;

(s) Robbery or robbery by sudden snatching, as defined in
ss. 812.13 and 812.131, respectively;

(t) Carjacking, as defined in s. 812.133;

(u) Home-invasion robbery, as defined in s. 812.135;

(v) A violation of the Florida Communications Fraud Act, as
provided in s. 817.034;

(w) Abuse of an elderly person or disabled adult, or
aggravated abuse of an elderly person or disabled adult, as
defined in s. 825.102;

(x) Lewd or lascivious offenses committed upon or in the
presence of an elderly person or disabled person, as defined in
s. 825.1025;

(y) Child abuse or aggravated child abuse, as defined in s.
827.03;

(z) Sexual performance by a child, as defined in s.
827.071;

(aa) Any offense defined in chapter 839;

(bb) Certain acts in connection with obscenity, as defined
in s. 847.0133;

(cc) Any offense defined in s. 847.0135;

(dd) Selling or buying of minors, as defined in s.
847.0145;

(ee) Aircraft piracy, as defined in s. 860.16;

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(ff) Manufacturing a controlled substance in violation of chapter 893;

(gg) Drug trafficking, as defined in s. 893.135; or

(hh) Any violation specified as a predicate offense for registration as a sexual predator pursuant to s. 775.21, or sexual offender pursuant to s. 943.0435, without regard to whether that offense alone is sufficient to require such registration.

Section 43. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 775.21, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, subsection (4) of section 944.609, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

944.609 Career offenders; notification upon release.—

(4) The department or any law enforcement agency may notify the community and the public of a career offender's presence in the community. However, with respect to a career offender who has been found to be a sexual predator under s. 775.21, the Department of Law Enforcement or any other law enforcement agency must inform the community and the public of the career offender's presence in the community, as provided in s. 775.21.

Section 44. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 775.21, Florida Statutes, in references thereto, paragraph (c) of subsection (2) and subsection (10) of section 947.1405, Florida Statutes, are reenacted to read:

947.1405 Conditional release program.—

(2) Any inmate who:

(c) Is found to be a sexual predator under s. 775.21 or former s. 775.23,

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shall, upon reaching the tentative release date or provisional release date, whichever is earlier, as established by the Department of Corrections, be released under supervision subject to specified terms and conditions, including payment of the cost of supervision pursuant to s. 948.09. Such supervision shall be applicable to all sentences within the overall term of sentences if an inmate's overall term of sentences includes one or more sentences that are eligible for conditional release supervision as provided herein. Effective July 1, 1994, and applicable for offenses committed on or after that date, the commission may require, as a condition of conditional release, that the releasee make payment of the debt due and owing to a county or municipal detention facility under s. 951.032 for medical care, treatment, hospitalization, or transportation received by the releasee while in that detention facility. The commission, in determining whether to order such repayment and the amount of such repayment, shall consider the amount of the debt, whether there was any fault of the institution for the medical expenses incurred, the financial resources of the releasee, the present and potential future financial needs and earning ability of the releasee, and dependents, and other appropriate factors. If any inmate placed on conditional release supervision is also subject to probation or community control, resulting from a probationary or community control split sentence within the overall term of sentences, the Department of Corrections shall supervise such person according to the conditions imposed by the court and the commission shall defer to such supervision. If the court revokes probation or community control and resentences the offender to a

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term of incarceration, such revocation also constitutes a sufficient basis for the revocation of the conditional release supervision on any nonprobationary or noncommunity control sentence without further hearing by the commission. If any such supervision on any nonprobationary or noncommunity control sentence is revoked, such revocation may result in a forfeiture of all gain-time, and the commission may revoke the resulting deferred conditional release supervision or take other action it considers appropriate. If the term of conditional release supervision exceeds that of the probation or community control, then, upon expiration of the probation or community control, authority for the supervision shall revert to the commission and the supervision shall be subject to the conditions imposed by the commission. A panel of no fewer than two commissioners shall establish the terms and conditions of any such release. If the offense was a controlled substance violation, the conditions shall include a requirement that the offender submit to random substance abuse testing intermittently throughout the term of conditional release supervision, upon the direction of the correctional probation officer as defined in s. 943.10(3). The commission shall also determine whether the terms and conditions of such release have been violated and whether such violation warrants revocation of the conditional release.

(10) Effective for a releasee whose crime was committed on or after September 1, 2005, in violation of chapter 794, s. 800.04(4), (5), or (6), s. 827.071, or s. 847.0145, and the unlawful activity involved a victim who was 15 years of age or younger and the offender is 18 years of age or older or for a releasee who is designated as a sexual predator pursuant to s.

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775.21, in addition to any other provision of this section, the commission must order electronic monitoring for the duration of the releasee's supervision.

Section 45. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 775.21, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, paragraph (b) of subsection (2) of section 948.013, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

948.013 Administrative probation.—

(2)

(b) Effective for an offense committed on or after October 1, 2017, a person is ineligible for placement on administrative probation if the person is sentenced to or is serving a term of probation or community control, regardless of the conviction or adjudication, for committing, or attempting, conspiring, or soliciting to commit, any of the felony offenses described in s. 775.21(4)(a)1.a. or b. or s. 943.0435(1)(h)1.a.

Section 46. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 775.21, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, paragraph (f) of subsection (2) of section 948.05, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

948.05 Court to admonish or commend probationer or offender in community control; graduated incentives.—

(2) The department shall implement a system of graduated incentives to promote compliance with the terms of supervision, encourage educational achievement and stable employment, and prioritize the highest levels of supervision for probationers or offenders presenting the greatest risk of recidivism.

(f) A probationer or offender in community control who is placed under supervision for committing or attempting,

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soliciting, or conspiring to commit a violation of any felony offense described in s. 775.21(4)(a)1.a. or b. or s. 943.0435(1)(h)1.a., or who qualifies as a violent felony offender of special concern under s. 948.06(8)(b) is not eligible for any reduction of his or her term of supervision under this section.

Section 47. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 775.21, Florida Statutes, in references thereto, subsection (4) and paragraphs (b) and (d) of subsection (8) of section 948.06, Florida Statutes, are reenacted to read:

948.06 Violation of probation or community control; revocation; modification; continuance; failure to pay restitution or cost of supervision.—

(4) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, a felony probationer or an offender in community control who is arrested for violating his or her probation or community control in a material respect may be taken before the court in the county or circuit in which the probationer or offender was arrested. That court shall advise him or her of the charge of a violation and, if such charge is admitted, shall cause him or her to be brought before the court that granted the probation or community control. If the violation is not admitted by the probationer or offender, the court may commit him or her or release him or her with or without bail to await further hearing. However, if the probationer or offender is under supervision for any criminal offense proscribed in chapter 794, s. 800.04(4), (5), (6), s. 827.071, or s. 847.0145, or is a registered sexual predator or a registered sexual offender, or

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is under supervision for a criminal offense for which he or she would meet the registration criteria in s. 775.21, s. 943.0435, or s. 944.607 but for the effective date of those sections, the court must make a finding that the probationer or offender is not a danger to the public prior to release with or without bail. In determining the danger posed by the offender's or probationer's release, the court may consider the nature and circumstances of the violation and any new offenses charged; the offender's or probationer's past and present conduct, including convictions of crimes; any record of arrests without conviction for crimes involving violence or sexual crimes; any other evidence of allegations of unlawful sexual conduct or the use of violence by the offender or probationer; the offender's or probationer's family ties, length of residence in the community, employment history, and mental condition; his or her history and conduct during the probation or community control supervision from which the violation arises and any other previous supervisions, including disciplinary records of previous incarcerations; the likelihood that the offender or probationer will engage again in a criminal course of conduct; the weight of the evidence against the offender or probationer; and any other facts the court considers relevant. The court, as soon as is practicable, shall give the probationer or offender an opportunity to be fully heard on his or her behalf in person or by counsel. After the hearing, the court shall make findings of fact and forward the findings to the court that granted the probation or community control and to the probationer or offender or his or her attorney. The findings of fact by the hearing court are binding on the court that granted the

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1886 probation or community control. Upon the probationer or offender
1887 being brought before it, the court that granted the probation or
1888 community control may revoke, modify, or continue the probation
1889 or community control or may place the probationer into community
1890 control as provided in this section. However, the probationer or
1891 offender shall not be released and shall not be admitted to
1892 bail, but shall be brought before the court that granted the
1893 probation or community control if any violation of felony
1894 probation or community control other than a failure to pay costs
1895 or fines or make restitution payments is alleged to have been
1896 committed by:

1897 (a) A violent felony offender of special concern, as
1898 defined in this section;

1899 (b) A person who is on felony probation or community
1900 control for any offense committed on or after the effective date
1901 of this act and who is arrested for a qualifying offense as
1902 defined in this section; or

1903 (c) A person who is on felony probation or community
1904 control and has previously been found by a court to be a
1905 habitual violent felony offender as defined in s. 775.084(1)(b),
1906 a three-time violent felony offender as defined in s.
1907 775.084(1)(c), or a sexual predator under s. 775.21, and who is
1908 arrested for committing a qualifying offense as defined in this
1909 section on or after the effective date of this act.

1910 (8)

1911 (b) For purposes of this section and ss. 903.0351, 948.064,
1912 and 921.0024, the term "violent felony offender of special
1913 concern" means a person who is on:

1914 1. Felony probation or community control related to the

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commission of a qualifying offense committed on or after the effective date of this act;

2. Felony probation or community control for any offense committed on or after the effective date of this act, and has previously been convicted of a qualifying offense;

3. Felony probation or community control for any offense committed on or after the effective date of this act, and is found to have violated that probation or community control by committing a qualifying offense;

4. Felony probation or community control and has previously been found by a court to be a habitual violent felony offender as defined in s. 775.084(1)(b) and has committed a qualifying offense on or after the effective date of this act;

5. Felony probation or community control and has previously been found by a court to be a three-time violent felony offender as defined in s. 775.084(1)(c) and has committed a qualifying offense on or after the effective date of this act; or

6. Felony probation or community control and has previously been found by a court to be a sexual predator under s. 775.21 and has committed a qualifying offense on or after the effective date of this act.

(d) In the case of an alleged violation of probation or community control other than a failure to pay costs, fines, or restitution, the following individuals shall remain in custody pending the resolution of the probation or community control violation:

1. A violent felony offender of special concern, as defined in this section;

2. A person who is on felony probation or community control

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for any offense committed on or after the effective date of this act and who is arrested for a qualifying offense as defined in this section; or

3. A person who is on felony probation or community control and has previously been found by a court to be a habitual violent felony offender as defined in s. 775.084(1)(b), a three-time violent felony offender as defined in s. 775.084(1)(c), or a sexual predator under s. 775.21, and who is arrested for committing a qualifying offense as defined in this section on or after the effective date of this act.

The court shall not dismiss the probation or community control violation warrant pending against an offender enumerated in this paragraph without holding a recorded violation-of-probation hearing at which both the state and the offender are represented.

Section 48. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 775.21, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, section 948.063, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

948.063 Violations of probation or community control by designated sexual offenders and sexual predators.—

(1) If probation or community control for any felony offense is revoked by the court pursuant to s. 948.06(2)(e) and the offender is designated as a sexual offender pursuant to s. 943.0435 or s. 944.607 or as a sexual predator pursuant to s. 775.21 for unlawful sexual activity involving a victim 15 years of age or younger and the offender is 18 years of age or older, and if the court imposes a subsequent term of supervision

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following the revocation of probation or community control, the court must order electronic monitoring as a condition of the subsequent term of probation or community control.

(2) If the probationer or offender is required to register as a sexual predator under s. 775.21 or as a sexual offender under s. 943.0435 or s. 944.607 for unlawful sexual activity involving a victim 15 years of age or younger and the probationer or offender is 18 years of age or older and has violated the conditions of his or her probation or community control, but the court does not revoke the probation or community control, the court shall nevertheless modify the probation or community control to include electronic monitoring for any probationer or offender not then subject to electronic monitoring.

Section 49. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 775.21, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, subsection (4) of section 948.064, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

948.064 Notification of status as a violent felony offender of special concern.—

(4) The state attorney, or the statewide prosecutor if applicable, shall advise the court at each critical stage in the judicial process, at which the state attorney or statewide prosecutor is represented, whether an alleged or convicted offender is a violent felony offender of special concern; a person who is on felony probation or community control for any offense committed on or after the effective date of this act and who is arrested for a qualifying offense; or a person who is on felony probation or community control and has previously been

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found by a court to be a habitual violent felony offender as defined in s. 775.084(1)(b), a three-time violent felony offender as defined in s. 775.084(1)(c), or a sexual predator under s. 775.21, and who is arrested for committing a qualifying offense on or after the effective date of this act.

Section 50. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 775.21, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, section 948.12, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

948.12 Intensive supervision for postprison release of violent offenders.—It is the finding of the Legislature that the population of violent offenders released from state prison into the community poses the greatest threat to the public safety of the groups of offenders under community supervision. Therefore, for the purpose of enhanced public safety, any offender released from state prison who:

(1) Was most recently incarcerated for an offense that is or was contained in category 1 (murder, manslaughter), category 2 (sexual offenses), category 3 (robbery), or category 4 (violent personal crimes) of Rules 3.701 and 3.988, Florida Rules of Criminal Procedure (1993), and who has served at least one prior felony commitment at a state or federal correctional institution;

(2) Was sentenced as a habitual offender, violent habitual offender, or violent career criminal pursuant to s. 775.084; or

(3) Has been found to be a sexual predator pursuant to s. 775.21,

and who has a term of probation to follow the period of

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incarceration shall be provided intensive supervision by experienced correctional probation officers. Subject to specific appropriation by the Legislature, caseloads may be restricted to a maximum of 40 offenders per officer to provide for enhanced public safety as well as to effectively monitor conditions of electronic monitoring or curfews, if such was ordered by the court.

Section 51. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 775.21, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, subsection (3) of section 948.30, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

948.30 Additional terms and conditions of probation or community control for certain sex offenses.—Conditions imposed pursuant to this section do not require oral pronouncement at the time of sentencing and shall be considered standard conditions of probation or community control for offenders specified in this section.

(3) Effective for a probationer or community controllee whose crime was committed on or after September 1, 2005, and who:

(a) Is placed on probation or community control for a violation of chapter 794; s. 800.04(4), (5), or (6); s. 827.071; or s. 847.0145, or is placed on probation or community control on or after July 1, 2023, for attempting, soliciting, or conspiring to commit a violation of chapter 794; s. 800.04(4), (5), or (6); s. 827.071; or s. 847.0145, and the unlawful sexual activity involved a victim 15 years of age or younger and the offender is 18 years of age or older;

(b) Is designated a sexual predator pursuant to s. 775.21;

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or

(c) Has previously been convicted of a violation of chapter 794; s. 800.04(4), (5), or (6); s. 827.071; or s. 847.0145 and the unlawful sexual activity involved a victim 15 years of age or younger and the offender is 18 years of age or older, the court must order, in addition to any other provision of this section, mandatory electronic monitoring as a condition of the probation or community control supervision.

Section 52. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 775.21, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, section 948.31, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

948.31 Evaluation and treatment of sexual predators and offenders on probation or community control.—The court may require any probationer or community controllee who is required to register as a sexual predator under s. 775.21 or sexual offender under s. 943.0435, s. 944.606, or s. 944.607 to undergo an evaluation, at the probationer or community controllee's expense, by a qualified practitioner to determine whether such probationer or community controllee needs sexual offender treatment. If the qualified practitioner determines that sexual offender treatment is needed and recommends treatment, the probationer or community controllee must successfully complete and pay for the treatment. Such treatment must be obtained from a qualified practitioner as defined in s. 948.001. Treatment may not be administered by a qualified practitioner who has been convicted or adjudicated delinquent of committing, or attempting, soliciting, or conspiring to commit, any offense

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that is listed in s. 943.0435(1)(h)1.a.(I).

Section 53. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 775.21, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, paragraph (b) of subsection (6) of section 985.04, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

985.04 Oaths; records; confidential information.—

(6)

(b) Sexual offender and predator registration information as required in ss. 775.21, 943.0435, 944.606, 944.607, 985.481, and 985.4815 is a public record pursuant to s. 119.07(1) and as otherwise provided by law.

Section 54. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 943.0435, Florida Statutes, in references thereto, paragraph (c) of subsection (2) and paragraph (c) of subsection (9) of section 61.13, Florida Statutes, are reenacted to read:

61.13 Support of children; parenting and time-sharing; powers of court.—

(2)

(c) The court shall determine all matters relating to parenting and time-sharing of each minor child of the parties in accordance with the best interests of the child and in accordance with the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act, except that modification of a parenting plan and time-sharing schedule requires a showing of a substantial and material change of circumstances.

1. It is the public policy of this state that each minor child has frequent and continuing contact with both parents after the parents separate or the marriage of the parties is

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dissolved and to encourage parents to share the rights and responsibilities, and joys, of childrearing. Unless otherwise provided in this section or agreed to by the parties, there is a rebuttable presumption that equal time-sharing of a minor child is in the best interests of the minor child. To rebut this presumption, a party must prove by a preponderance of the evidence that equal time-sharing is not in the best interests of the minor child. Except when a time-sharing schedule is agreed to by the parties and approved by the court, the court must evaluate all of the factors set forth in subsection (3) and make specific written findings of fact when creating or modifying a time-sharing schedule.

2. The court shall order that the parental responsibility for a minor child be shared by both parents unless the court finds that shared parental responsibility would be detrimental to the child. In determining detriment to the child, the court shall consider:

- a. Evidence of domestic violence, as defined in s. 741.28;
- b. Whether either parent has or has had reasonable cause to believe that he or she or his or her minor child or children are or have been in imminent danger of becoming victims of an act of domestic violence as defined in s. 741.28 or sexual violence as defined in s. 784.046(1)(c) by the other parent against the parent or against the child or children whom the parents share in common regardless of whether a cause of action has been brought or is currently pending in the court;
- c. Whether either parent has or has had reasonable cause to believe that his or her minor child or children are or have been in imminent danger of becoming victims of an act of abuse,

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abandonment, or neglect, as those terms are defined in s. 39.01, by the other parent against the child or children whom the parents share in common regardless of whether a cause of action has been brought or is currently pending in the court; and

d. Any other relevant factors.

3. The following evidence creates a rebuttable presumption that shared parental responsibility is detrimental to the child:

a. A parent has been convicted of a misdemeanor of the first degree or higher involving domestic violence, as defined in s. 741.28 and chapter 775;

b. A parent meets the criteria of s. 39.806(1)(d); or

c. A parent has been convicted of or had adjudication withheld for an offense enumerated in s. 943.0435(1)(h)1.a., and at the time of the offense:

(I) The parent was 18 years of age or older.

(II) The victim was under 18 years of age or the parent believed the victim to be under 18 years of age.

If the presumption is not rebutted after the convicted parent is advised by the court that the presumption exists, shared parental responsibility, including time-sharing with the child, and decisions made regarding the child, may not be granted to the convicted parent. However, the convicted parent is not relieved of any obligation to provide financial support. If the court determines that shared parental responsibility would be detrimental to the child, it may order sole parental responsibility and make such arrangements for time-sharing as specified in the parenting plan as will best protect the child or abused spouse from further harm. Whether or not there is a

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conviction of any offense of domestic violence or child abuse or the existence of an injunction for protection against domestic violence, the court shall consider evidence of domestic violence or child abuse as evidence of detriment to the child.

4. In ordering shared parental responsibility, the court may consider the expressed desires of the parents and may grant to one party the ultimate responsibility over specific aspects of the child's welfare or may divide those responsibilities between the parties based on the best interests of the child. Areas of responsibility may include education, health care, and any other responsibilities that the court finds unique to a particular family.

5. The court shall order sole parental responsibility for a minor child to one parent, with or without time-sharing with the other parent if it is in the best interests of the minor child.

6. There is a rebuttable presumption against granting time-sharing with a minor child if a parent has been convicted of or had adjudication withheld for an offense enumerated in s. 943.0435(1)(h)1.a., and at the time of the offense:

a. The parent was 18 years of age or older.

b. The victim was under 18 years of age or the parent believed the victim to be under 18 years of age.

A parent may rebut the presumption upon a specific finding in writing by the court that the parent poses no significant risk of harm to the child and that time-sharing is in the best interests of the minor child. If the presumption is rebutted, the court must consider all time-sharing factors in subsection (3) when developing a time-sharing schedule.

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7. Access to records and information pertaining to a minor child, including, but not limited to, medical, dental, and school records, may not be denied to either parent. Full rights under this subparagraph apply to either parent unless a court order specifically revokes these rights, including any restrictions on these rights as provided in a domestic violence injunction. A parent having rights under this subparagraph has the same rights upon request as to form, substance, and manner of access as are available to the other parent of a child, including, without limitation, the right to in-person communication with medical, dental, and education providers.

(9)

(c) A court may not order visitation at a recovery residence if any resident of the recovery residence is currently required to register as a sexual predator under s. 775.21 or as a sexual offender under s. 943.0435.

Section 55. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 943.0435, Florida Statutes, in references thereto, paragraph (i) of subsection (3) and subsection (6) of section 68.07, Florida Statutes, are reenacted to read:

68.07 Change of name.—

(3) Each petition shall be verified and show:

(i) Whether the petitioner has ever been required to register as a sexual predator under s. 775.21 or as a sexual offender under s. 943.0435.

(6) The clerk of the court must, within 5 business days after the filing of the final judgment, send a report of the judgment to the Department of Law Enforcement on a form to be

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furnished by that department. If the petitioner is required to register as a sexual predator or a sexual offender pursuant to s. 775.21 or s. 943.0435, the clerk of court shall electronically notify the Department of Law Enforcement of the name change, in a manner prescribed by that department, within 2 business days after the filing of the final judgment. The Department of Law Enforcement must send a copy of the report to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, which may be delivered by electronic transmission. The report must contain sufficient information to identify the petitioner, including the results of the criminal history records check if applicable, the new name of the petitioner, and the file number of the judgment. The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles shall monitor the records of any sexual predator or sexual offender whose name has been provided to it by the Department of Law Enforcement. If the sexual predator or sexual offender does not obtain a replacement driver license or identification card within the required time as specified in s. 775.21 or s. 943.0435, the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles shall notify the Department of Law Enforcement. The Department of Law Enforcement shall notify applicable law enforcement agencies of the predator's or offender's failure to comply with registration requirements. Any information retained by the Department of Law Enforcement and the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles may be revised or supplemented by said departments to reflect changes made by the final judgment. With respect to a person convicted of a felony in another state or of a federal offense, the Department of Law Enforcement must send the report to the respective state's office of law enforcement

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records or to the office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The Department of Law Enforcement may forward the report to any other law enforcement agency it believes may retain information related to the petitioner.

Section 56. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 943.0435, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 92.55, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

92.55 Special protections in proceedings involving victim or witness under 18, person with intellectual disability, or sexual offense victim.—

(1) For purposes of this section, the term:

(b) "Sexual offense" means any offense specified in s. 775.21(4)(a)1. or s. 943.0435(1)(h)1.a.(I).

Section 57. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 943.0435, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, paragraph (b) of subsection (2) of section 98.0751, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

98.0751 Restoration of voting rights; termination of ineligibility subsequent to a felony conviction.—

(2) For purposes of this section, the term:

(b) "Felony sexual offense" means any of the following:

1. Any felony offense that serves as a predicate to registration as a sexual offender in accordance with s. 943.0435;

2. Section 491.0112;

3. Section 784.049(3)(b);

4. Section 794.08;

5. Section 796.08;

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2292 6. Section 800.101;

2293 7. Section 826.04;

2294 8. Section 847.012;

2295 9. Section 872.06(2);

2296 10. Section 944.35(3)(b)2.;

2297 11. Section 951.221(1); or

2298 12. Any similar offense committed in another jurisdiction
2299 which would be an offense listed in this paragraph if it had
2300 been committed in violation of the laws of this state.

2301 Section 58. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment
2302 made by this act to section 943.0435, Florida Statutes, in a
2303 reference thereto, subsection (3) of section 322.141, Florida
2304 Statutes, is reenacted to read:

2305 322.141 Color or markings of certain licenses or
2306 identification cards.—

2307 (3) All licenses for the operation of motor vehicles or
2308 identification cards originally issued or reissued by the
2309 department to persons who are designated as sexual predators
2310 under s. 775.21 or subject to registration as sexual offenders
2311 under s. 943.0435 or s. 944.607, or who have a similar
2312 designation or are subject to a similar registration under the
2313 laws of another jurisdiction, shall have on the front of the
2314 license or identification card the following:

2315 (a) For a person designated as a sexual predator under s.
2316 775.21 or who has a similar designation under the laws of
2317 another jurisdiction, the marking "SEXUAL PREDATOR."

2318 (b) For a person subject to registration as a sexual
2319 offender under s. 943.0435 or s. 944.607, or subject to a
2320 similar registration under the laws of another jurisdiction, the

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marking "943.0435, F.S."

Section 59. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 943.0435, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, subsection (2) of section 394.9125, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

394.9125 State attorney; authority to refer a person for civil commitment.—

(2) A state attorney may refer a person to the department for civil commitment proceedings if the person:

(a) Is required to register as a sexual offender pursuant to s. 943.0435;

(b) Has previously been convicted of a sexually violent offense as defined in s. 394.912(9)(a)–(h); and

(c) Has been sentenced to a term of imprisonment in a county or municipal jail for any criminal offense.

Section 60. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 943.0435, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, paragraph (b) of subsection (4) of section 435.07, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

435.07 Exemptions from disqualification.—Unless otherwise provided by law, the provisions of this section apply to exemptions from disqualification for disqualifying offenses revealed pursuant to background screenings required under this chapter, regardless of whether those disqualifying offenses are listed in this chapter or other laws.

(4)

(b) Disqualification from employment or affiliation under this chapter may not be removed from, nor may an exemption be granted to, any person who is a:

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2350 1. Sexual predator as designated pursuant to s. 775.21;
2351 2. Career offender pursuant to s. 775.261; or
2352 3. Sexual offender pursuant to s. 943.0435, unless the
2353 requirement to register as a sexual offender has been removed
2354 pursuant to s. 943.04354.

2355 Section 61. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment
2356 made by this act to section 943.0435, Florida Statutes, in a
2357 reference thereto, subsection (2) of section 775.0862, Florida
2358 Statutes, is reenacted to read:

2359 775.0862 Sexual offenses against students by authority
2360 figures; reclassification.—

2361 (2) The felony degree of a violation of an offense listed
2362 in s. 943.0435(1)(h)1.a., unless the offense is a violation of
2363 s. 794.011(4)(e)7. or s. 810.145(8)(a)2., shall be reclassified
2364 as provided in this section if the offense is committed by an
2365 authority figure of a school against a student of the school.

2366 Section 62. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment
2367 made by this act to section 943.0435, Florida Statutes, in a
2368 reference thereto, subsection (4) of section 775.13, Florida
2369 Statutes, is reenacted to read:

2370 775.13 Registration of convicted felons, exemptions;
2371 penalties.—

2372 (4) This section does not apply to an offender:

2373 (a) Who has had his or her civil rights restored;

2374 (b) Who has received a full pardon for the offense for
2375 which convicted;

2376 (c) Who has been lawfully released from incarceration or
2377 other sentence or supervision for a felony conviction for more
2378 than 5 years prior to such time for registration, unless the

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offender is a fugitive from justice on a felony charge or has been convicted of any offense since release from such incarceration or other sentence or supervision;

(d) Who is a parolee or probationer under the supervision of the United States Parole Commission if the commission knows of and consents to the presence of the offender in Florida or is a probationer under the supervision of any federal probation officer in the state or who has been lawfully discharged from such parole or probation;

(e) Who is a sexual predator and has registered as required under s. 775.21;

(f) Who is a sexual offender and has registered as required in s. 943.0435 or s. 944.607; or

(g) Who is a career offender who has registered as required in s. 775.261 or s. 944.609.

Section 63. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 943.0435, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, subsection (2) of section 775.24, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

775.24 Duty of the court to uphold laws governing sexual predators and sexual offenders.—

(2) If a person meets the criteria in this chapter for designation as a sexual predator or meets the criteria in s. 943.0435, s. 944.606, s. 944.607, or any other law for classification as a sexual offender, the court may not enter an order, for the purpose of approving a plea agreement or for any other reason, which:

(a) Exempts a person who meets the criteria for designation as a sexual predator or classification as a sexual offender from

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such designation or classification, or exempts such person from the requirements for registration or community and public notification imposed upon sexual predators and sexual offenders;

(b) Restricts the compiling, reporting, or release of public records information that relates to sexual predators or sexual offenders; or

(c) Prevents any person or entity from performing its duties or operating within its statutorily conferred authority as such duty or authority relates to sexual predators or sexual offenders.

Section 64. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 943.0435, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, section 775.25, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

775.25 Prosecutions for acts or omissions.—A sexual predator or sexual offender who commits any act or omission in violation of s. 775.21, s. 943.0435, s. 944.605, s. 944.606, s. 944.607, or former s. 947.177 may be prosecuted for the act or omission in the county in which the act or omission was committed, in the county of the last registered address of the sexual predator or sexual offender, in the county in which the conviction occurred for the offense or offenses that meet the criteria for designating a person as a sexual predator or sexual offender, in the county where the sexual predator or sexual offender was released from incarceration, or in the county of the intended address of the sexual predator or sexual offender as reported by the predator or offender prior to his or her release from incarceration. In addition, a sexual predator may be prosecuted for any such act or omission in the county in

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which he or she was designated a sexual predator.

Section 65. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 943.0435, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, paragraph (cc) of subsection (2) of section 900.05, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

900.05 Criminal justice data collection.—

(2) DEFINITIONS.—As used in this section, the term:

(cc) "Sexual offender flag" means an indication that a defendant was required to register as a sexual predator as defined in s. 775.21 or as a sexual offender as defined in s. 943.0435.

Section 66. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 943.0435, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, paragraph (m) of subsection (2) of section 903.046, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

903.046 Purpose of and criteria for bail determination.—

(2) When determining whether to release a defendant on bail or other conditions, and what that bail or those conditions may be, the court shall consider:

(m) Whether the defendant, other than a defendant whose only criminal charge is a misdemeanor offense under chapter 316, is required to register as a sexual offender under s. 943.0435 or a sexual predator under s. 775.21; and, if so, he or she is not eligible for release on bail or surety bond until the first appearance on the case in order to ensure the full participation of the prosecutor and the protection of the public.

Section 67. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 943.0435, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, section 903.133, Florida Statutes, is

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reenacted to read:

903.133 Bail on appeal; prohibited for certain felony convictions.—Notwithstanding s. 903.132, no person shall be admitted to bail pending review either by posttrial motion or appeal if he or she was adjudged guilty of:

(1) A felony of the first degree for a violation of s. 782.04(2) or (3), s. 787.01, s. 794.011(4), s. 806.01, s. 893.13, or s. 893.135;

(2) A violation of s. 794.011(2) or (3); or

(3) Any other offense requiring sexual offender registration under s. 943.0435(1)(h) or sexual predator registration under s. 775.21(4) when, at the time of the offense, the offender was 18 years of age or older and the victim was a minor.

Section 68. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 943.0435, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, paragraph (b) of subsection (4) of section 907.043, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

907.043 Pretrial release; citizens' right to know.—

(4)

(b) The annual report must contain, but need not be limited to:

1. The name, location, and funding sources of the pretrial release program, including the amount of public funds, if any, received by the pretrial release program.

2. The operating and capital budget of each pretrial release program receiving public funds.

3.a. The percentage of the pretrial release program's total budget representing receipt of public funds.

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b. The percentage of the total budget which is allocated to assisting defendants obtain release through a nonpublicly funded program.

c. The amount of fees paid by defendants to the pretrial release program.

4. The number of persons employed by the pretrial release program.

5. The number of defendants assessed and interviewed for pretrial release.

6. The number of defendants recommended for pretrial release.

7. The number of defendants for whom the pretrial release program recommended against nonsecured release.

8. The number of defendants granted nonsecured release after the pretrial release program recommended nonsecured release.

9. The number of defendants assessed and interviewed for pretrial release who were declared indigent by the court.

10. The number of defendants accepted into a pretrial release program who paid a surety or cash bail or bond.

11. The number of defendants for whom a risk assessment tool was used in determining whether the defendant should be released pending the disposition of the case and the number of defendants for whom a risk assessment tool was not used.

12. The specific statutory citation for each criminal charge related to a defendant whose case is accepted into a pretrial release program, including, at a minimum, the number of defendants charged with dangerous crimes as defined in s. 907.041; nonviolent felonies; or misdemeanors only. A

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2524 "nonviolent felony" for purposes of this subparagraph excludes
2525 the commission of, an attempt to commit, or a conspiracy to
2526 commit any of the following:

- 2527 a. An offense enumerated in s. 775.084(1)(c);
- 2528 b. An offense that requires a person to register as a
2529 sexual predator in accordance with s. 775.21 or as a sexual
2530 offender in accordance with s. 943.0435;
- 2531 c. Failure to register as a sexual predator in violation of
2532 s. 775.21 or as a sexual offender in violation of s. 943.0435;
- 2533 d. Facilitating or furthering terrorism in violation of s.
2534 775.31;
- 2535 e. A forcible felony as described in s. 776.08;
- 2536 f. False imprisonment in violation of s. 787.02;
- 2537 g. Burglary of a dwelling or residence in violation of s.
2538 810.02(3);
- 2539 h. Abuse, aggravated abuse, and neglect of an elderly
2540 person or disabled adult in violation of s. 825.102;
- 2541 i. Abuse, aggravated abuse, and neglect of a child in
2542 violation of s. 827.03;
- 2543 j. Poisoning of food or water in violation of s. 859.01;
- 2544 k. Abuse of a dead human body in violation of s. 872.06;
- 2545 l. A capital offense in violation of chapter 893;
- 2546 m. An offense that results in serious bodily injury or
2547 death to another human; or
- 2548 n. A felony offense in which the defendant used a weapon or
2549 firearm in the commission of the offense.
- 2550 13. The number of defendants accepted into a pretrial
2551 release program with no prior criminal conviction.
- 2552 14. The name and case number of each person granted

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nonsecured release who:

a. Failed to attend a scheduled court appearance.

b. Was issued a warrant for failing to appear.

c. Was arrested for any offense while on release through the pretrial release program.

15. Any additional information deemed necessary by the governing body to assess the performance and cost efficiency of the pretrial release program.

Section 69. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 943.0435, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section 934.255, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

934.255 Subpoenas in investigations of sexual offenses.—

(2) An investigative or law enforcement officer who is conducting an investigation into:

(a) Allegations of the sexual abuse of a child or an individual's suspected commission of a crime listed in s. 943.0435(1)(h)1.a.(I) may use a subpoena to compel the production of records, documents, or other tangible objects and the testimony of the subpoena recipient concerning the production and authenticity of such records, documents, or objects, except as provided in paragraphs (b) and (c).

A subpoena issued under this subsection must describe the records, documents, or other tangible objects required to be produced, and must prescribe a date by which such records, documents, or other tangible objects must be produced.

Section 70. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 943.0435, Florida Statutes, in a

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reference thereto, subsection (1) of section 938.10, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

938.10 Additional court cost imposed in cases of certain crimes.—

(1) If a person pleads guilty or nolo contendere to, or is found guilty of, regardless of adjudication, any offense against a minor in violation of s. 784.085, chapter 787, chapter 794, former s. 796.03, former s. 796.035, s. 800.04, chapter 827, s. 847.012, s. 847.0133, s. 847.0135(5), s. 847.0138, s. 847.0145, s. 893.147(3), or s. 985.701, or any offense in violation of s. 775.21, s. 823.07, s. 847.0125, s. 847.0134, or s. 943.0435, the court shall impose a court cost of \$151 against the offender in addition to any other cost or penalty required by law.

Section 71. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 943.0435, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, subsection (2) of section 943.0436, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

943.0436 Duty of the court to uphold laws governing sexual predators and sexual offenders.—

(2) If a person meets the criteria in chapter 775 for designation as a sexual predator or meets the criteria in s. 943.0435, s. 944.606, s. 944.607, or any other law for classification as a sexual offender, the court may not enter an order, for the purpose of approving a plea agreement or for any other reason, which:

(a) Exempts a person who meets the criteria for designation as a sexual predator or classification as a sexual offender from such designation or classification, or exempts such person from the requirements for registration or community and public

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notification imposed upon sexual predators and sexual offenders;

(b) Restricts the compiling, reporting, or release of public records information that relates to sexual predators or sexual offenders; or

(c) Prevents any person or entity from performing its duties or operating within its statutorily conferred authority as such duty or authority relates to sexual predators or sexual offenders.

Section 72. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 943.0435, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, subsection (2) of section 943.0584, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

943.0584 Criminal history records ineligible for court-ordered expunction or court-ordered sealing.—

(2) A criminal history record is ineligible for a certificate of eligibility for expunction or a court-ordered expunction pursuant to s. 943.0585 or a certificate of eligibility for sealing or a court-ordered sealing pursuant to s. 943.059 if the record is a conviction for any of the following offenses:

(a) Sexual misconduct, as defined in s. 393.135, s. 394.4593, or s. 916.1075;

(b) Illegal use of explosives, as defined in chapter 552;

(c) Terrorism, as defined in s. 775.30;

(d) Murder, as defined in s. 782.04, s. 782.065, or s. 782.09;

(e) Manslaughter or homicide, as defined in s. 782.07, s. 782.071, or s. 782.072;

(f) Assault or battery, as defined in ss. 784.011 and

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784.03, respectively, of one family or household member by another family or household member, as defined in s. 741.28(3);

- (g) Aggravated assault, as defined in s. 784.021;
- (h) Felony battery, domestic battery by strangulation, or aggravated battery, as defined in ss. 784.03, 784.041, and 784.045, respectively;
- (i) Stalking or aggravated stalking, as defined in s. 784.048;
- (j) Luring or enticing a child, as defined in s. 787.025;
- (k) Human trafficking, as defined in s. 787.06;
- (l) Kidnapping or false imprisonment, as defined in s. 787.01 or s. 787.02;
- (m) Any offense defined in chapter 794;
- (n) Procuring a person less than 18 years of age for prostitution, as defined in former s. 796.03;
- (o) Lewd or lascivious offenses committed upon or in the presence of persons less than 16 years of age, as defined in s. 800.04;
- (p) Arson, as defined in s. 806.01;
- (q) Burglary of a dwelling, as defined in s. 810.02;
- (r) Voyeurism or digital voyeurism, as defined in ss. 810.14 and 810.145, respectively;
- (s) Robbery or robbery by sudden snatching, as defined in ss. 812.13 and 812.131, respectively;
- (t) Carjacking, as defined in s. 812.133;
- (u) Home-invasion robbery, as defined in s. 812.135;
- (v) A violation of the Florida Communications Fraud Act, as provided in s. 817.034;
- (w) Abuse of an elderly person or disabled adult, or

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aggravated abuse of an elderly person or disabled adult, as defined in s. 825.102;

(x) Lewd or lascivious offenses committed upon or in the presence of an elderly person or disabled person, as defined in s. 825.1025;

(y) Child abuse or aggravated child abuse, as defined in s. 827.03;

(z) Sexual performance by a child, as defined in s. 827.071;

(aa) Any offense defined in chapter 839;

(bb) Certain acts in connection with obscenity, as defined in s. 847.0133;

(cc) Any offense defined in s. 847.0135;

(dd) Selling or buying of minors, as defined in s. 847.0145;

(ee) Aircraft piracy, as defined in s. 860.16;

(ff) Manufacturing a controlled substance in violation of chapter 893;

(gg) Drug trafficking, as defined in s. 893.135; or

(hh) Any violation specified as a predicate offense for registration as a sexual predator pursuant to s. 775.21, or sexual offender pursuant to s. 943.0435, without regard to whether that offense alone is sufficient to require such registration.

Section 73. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 943.0435, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section 943.0595, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

943.0595 Automatic sealing of criminal history records;

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2698 confidentiality of related court records.—

2699 (2) ELIGIBILITY.—

2700 (a) The department shall automatically seal a criminal
2701 history record that does not result from an indictment,
2702 information, or other charging document for a forcible felony as
2703 defined in s. 776.08 or for an offense enumerated in s.
2704 943.0435(1)(h)1.a.(I), if:

2705 1. An indictment, information, or other charging document
2706 was not filed or issued in the case giving rise to the criminal
2707 history record.

2708 2. An indictment, information, or other charging document
2709 was filed in the case giving rise to the criminal history
2710 record, but was dismissed or nolle prosequi by the state
2711 attorney or statewide prosecutor or was dismissed by a court of
2712 competent jurisdiction as to all counts. However, a person is
2713 not eligible for automatic sealing under this section if the
2714 dismissal was pursuant to s. 916.145 or s. 985.19.

2715 3. A not guilty verdict was rendered by a judge or jury as
2716 to all counts. However, a person is not eligible for automatic
2717 sealing under this section if the defendant was found not guilty
2718 by reason of insanity.

2719 4. A judgment of acquittal was rendered by a judge as to
2720 all counts.

2721 Section 74. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment
2722 made by this act to section 943.0435, Florida Statutes, in a
2723 reference thereto, subsection (12) of section 947.1405, Florida
2724 Statutes, is reenacted to read:

2725 947.1405 Conditional release program.—

2726 (12) In addition to all other conditions imposed, for a

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2727 releasee who is subject to conditional release for a crime that
2728 was committed on or after May 26, 2010, and who has been
2729 convicted at any time of committing, or attempting, soliciting,
2730 or conspiring to commit, any of the criminal offenses listed in
2731 s. 943.0435(1)(h)1.a.(I), or a similar offense in another
2732 jurisdiction against a victim who was under 18 years of age at
2733 the time of the offense, if the releasee has not received a
2734 pardon for any felony or similar law of another jurisdiction
2735 necessary for the operation of this subsection, if a conviction
2736 of a felony or similar law of another jurisdiction necessary for
2737 the operation of this subsection has not been set aside in any
2738 postconviction proceeding, or if the releasee has not been
2739 removed from the requirement to register as a sexual offender or
2740 sexual predator pursuant to s. 943.04354, the commission must
2741 impose the following conditions:

2742 (a) A prohibition on visiting schools, child care
2743 facilities, parks, and playgrounds without prior approval from
2744 the releasee's supervising officer. The commission may also
2745 designate additional prohibited locations to protect a victim.
2746 The prohibition ordered under this paragraph does not prohibit
2747 the releasee from visiting a school, child care facility, park,
2748 or playground for the sole purpose of attending a religious
2749 service as defined in s. 775.0861 or picking up or dropping off
2750 the releasee's child or grandchild at a child care facility or
2751 school.

2752 (b) A prohibition on distributing candy or other items to
2753 children on Halloween; wearing a Santa Claus costume, or other
2754 costume to appeal to children, on or preceding Christmas;
2755 wearing an Easter Bunny costume, or other costume to appeal to

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children, on or preceding Easter; entertaining at children's parties; or wearing a clown costume without prior approval from the commission.

Section 75. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 943.0435, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, paragraph (b) of subsection (2) of section 948.013, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

948.013 Administrative probation.—

(2)

(b) Effective for an offense committed on or after October 1, 2017, a person is ineligible for placement on administrative probation if the person is sentenced to or is serving a term of probation or community control, regardless of the conviction or adjudication, for committing, or attempting, conspiring, or soliciting to commit, any of the felony offenses described in s. 775.21(4)(a)1.a. or b. or s. 943.0435(1)(h)1.a.

Section 76. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 943.0435, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, paragraph (f) of subsection (2) of section 948.05, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

948.05 Court to admonish or commend probationer or offender in community control; graduated incentives.—

(2) The department shall implement a system of graduated incentives to promote compliance with the terms of supervision, encourage educational achievement and stable employment, and prioritize the highest levels of supervision for probationers or offenders presenting the greatest risk of recidivism.

(f) A probationer or offender in community control who is placed under supervision for committing or attempting,

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soliciting, or conspiring to commit a violation of any felony offense described in s. 775.21(4)(a)1.a. or b. or s. 943.0435(1)(h)1.a., or who qualifies as a violent felony offender of special concern under s. 948.06(8)(b) is not eligible for any reduction of his or her term of supervision under this section.

Section 77. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 943.0435, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, subsection (4) of section 948.06, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

948.06 Violation of probation or community control; revocation; modification; continuance; failure to pay restitution or cost of supervision.—

(4) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, a felony probationer or an offender in community control who is arrested for violating his or her probation or community control in a material respect may be taken before the court in the county or circuit in which the probationer or offender was arrested. That court shall advise him or her of the charge of a violation and, if such charge is admitted, shall cause him or her to be brought before the court that granted the probation or community control. If the violation is not admitted by the probationer or offender, the court may commit him or her or release him or her with or without bail to await further hearing. However, if the probationer or offender is under supervision for any criminal offense proscribed in chapter 794, s. 800.04(4), (5), (6), s. 827.071, or s. 847.0145, or is a registered sexual predator or a registered sexual offender, or is under supervision for a criminal offense for which he or she

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2814 would meet the registration criteria in s. 775.21, s. 943.0435,
2815 or s. 944.607 but for the effective date of those sections, the
2816 court must make a finding that the probationer or offender is
2817 not a danger to the public prior to release with or without
2818 bail. In determining the danger posed by the offender's or
2819 probationer's release, the court may consider the nature and
2820 circumstances of the violation and any new offenses charged; the
2821 offender's or probationer's past and present conduct, including
2822 convictions of crimes; any record of arrests without conviction
2823 for crimes involving violence or sexual crimes; any other
2824 evidence of allegations of unlawful sexual conduct or the use of
2825 violence by the offender or probationer; the offender's or
2826 probationer's family ties, length of residence in the community,
2827 employment history, and mental condition; his or her history and
2828 conduct during the probation or community control supervision
2829 from which the violation arises and any other previous
2830 supervisions, including disciplinary records of previous
2831 incarcerations; the likelihood that the offender or probationer
2832 will engage again in a criminal course of conduct; the weight of
2833 the evidence against the offender or probationer; and any other
2834 facts the court considers relevant. The court, as soon as is
2835 practicable, shall give the probationer or offender an
2836 opportunity to be fully heard on his or her behalf in person or
2837 by counsel. After the hearing, the court shall make findings of
2838 fact and forward the findings to the court that granted the
2839 probation or community control and to the probationer or
2840 offender or his or her attorney. The findings of fact by the
2841 hearing court are binding on the court that granted the
2842 probation or community control. Upon the probationer or offender

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being brought before it, the court that granted the probation or community control may revoke, modify, or continue the probation or community control or may place the probationer into community control as provided in this section. However, the probationer or offender shall not be released and shall not be admitted to bail, but shall be brought before the court that granted the probation or community control if any violation of felony probation or community control other than a failure to pay costs or fines or make restitution payments is alleged to have been committed by:

(a) A violent felony offender of special concern, as defined in this section;

(b) A person who is on felony probation or community control for any offense committed on or after the effective date of this act and who is arrested for a qualifying offense as defined in this section; or

(c) A person who is on felony probation or community control and has previously been found by a court to be a habitual violent felony offender as defined in s. 775.084(1)(b), a three-time violent felony offender as defined in s. 775.084(1)(c), or a sexual predator under s. 775.21, and who is arrested for committing a qualifying offense as defined in this section on or after the effective date of this act.

Section 78. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 943.0435, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, section 948.063, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

948.063 Violations of probation or community control by designated sexual offenders and sexual predators.—

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(1) If probation or community control for any felony offense is revoked by the court pursuant to s. 948.06(2)(e) and the offender is designated as a sexual offender pursuant to s. 943.0435 or s. 944.607 or as a sexual predator pursuant to s. 775.21 for unlawful sexual activity involving a victim 15 years of age or younger and the offender is 18 years of age or older, and if the court imposes a subsequent term of supervision following the revocation of probation or community control, the court must order electronic monitoring as a condition of the subsequent term of probation or community control.

(2) If the probationer or offender is required to register as a sexual predator under s. 775.21 or as a sexual offender under s. 943.0435 or s. 944.607 for unlawful sexual activity involving a victim 15 years of age or younger and the probationer or offender is 18 years of age or older and has violated the conditions of his or her probation or community control, but the court does not revoke the probation or community control, the court shall nevertheless modify the probation or community control to include electronic monitoring for any probationer or offender not then subject to electronic monitoring.

Section 79. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 943.0435, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, subsection (4) of section 948.30, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

948.30 Additional terms and conditions of probation or community control for certain sex offenses.—Conditions imposed pursuant to this section do not require oral pronouncement at the time of sentencing and shall be considered standard

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conditions of probation or community control for offenders specified in this section.

(4) In addition to all other conditions imposed, for a probationer or community controllee who is subject to supervision for a crime that was committed on or after May 26, 2010, and who has been convicted at any time of committing, or attempting, soliciting, or conspiring to commit, any of the criminal offenses listed in s. 943.0435(1)(h)1.a.(I), or a similar offense in another jurisdiction, against a victim who was under the age of 18 at the time of the offense; if the offender has not received a pardon for any felony or similar law of another jurisdiction necessary for the operation of this subsection, if a conviction of a felony or similar law of another jurisdiction necessary for the operation of this subsection has not been set aside in any postconviction proceeding, or if the offender has not been removed from the requirement to register as a sexual offender or sexual predator pursuant to s. 943.04354, the court must impose the following conditions:

(a) A prohibition on visiting schools, child care facilities, parks, and playgrounds, without prior approval from the offender's supervising officer. The court may also designate additional locations to protect a victim. The prohibition ordered under this paragraph does not prohibit the offender from visiting a school, child care facility, park, or playground for the sole purpose of attending a religious service as defined in s. 775.0861 or picking up or dropping off the offender's children or grandchildren at a child care facility or school.

(b) A prohibition on distributing candy or other items to

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children on Halloween; wearing a Santa Claus costume, or other costume to appeal to children, on or preceding Christmas; wearing an Easter Bunny costume, or other costume to appeal to children, on or preceding Easter; entertaining at children's parties; or wearing a clown costume; without prior approval from the court.

Section 80. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 943.0435, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, section 948.31, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

948.31 Evaluation and treatment of sexual predators and offenders on probation or community control.—The court may require any probationer or community controllee who is required to register as a sexual predator under s. 775.21 or sexual offender under s. 943.0435, s. 944.606, or s. 944.607 to undergo an evaluation, at the probationer or community controllee's expense, by a qualified practitioner to determine whether such probationer or community controllee needs sexual offender treatment. If the qualified practitioner determines that sexual offender treatment is needed and recommends treatment, the probationer or community controllee must successfully complete and pay for the treatment. Such treatment must be obtained from a qualified practitioner as defined in s. 948.001. Treatment may not be administered by a qualified practitioner who has been convicted or adjudicated delinquent of committing, or attempting, soliciting, or conspiring to commit, any offense that is listed in s. 943.0435(1)(h)1.a.(I).

Section 81. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 943.0435, Florida Statutes, in a

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reference thereto, paragraph (b) of subsection (6) of section 985.04, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

985.04 Oaths; records; confidential information.—

(6)

(b) Sexual offender and predator registration information as required in ss. 775.21, 943.0435, 944.606, 944.607, 985.481, and 985.4815 is a public record pursuant to s. 119.07(1) and as otherwise provided by law.

Section 82. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 943.0435, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, paragraph (b) of subsection (2) of section 1012.467, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

1012.467 Noninstructional contractors who are permitted access to school grounds when students are present; background screening requirements.—

(2)

(b) A noninstructional contractor for whom a criminal history check is required under this section may not have been convicted of any of the following offenses designated in the Florida Statutes, any similar offense in another jurisdiction, or any similar offense committed in this state which has been redesignated from a former provision of the Florida Statutes to one of the following offenses:

1. Any offense listed in s. 943.0435(1)(h)1., relating to the registration of an individual as a sexual offender.

2. Section 393.135, relating to sexual misconduct with certain developmentally disabled clients and the reporting of such sexual misconduct.

3. Section 394.4593, relating to sexual misconduct with

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certain mental health patients and the reporting of such sexual misconduct.

4. Section 775.30, relating to terrorism.

5. Section 782.04, relating to murder.

6. Section 787.01, relating to kidnapping.

7. Any offense under chapter 800, relating to lewdness and indecent exposure.

8. Section 826.04, relating to incest.

9. Section 827.03, relating to child abuse, aggravated child abuse, or neglect of a child.

Section 83. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 944.606, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, subsection (2) of section 775.24, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

775.24 Duty of the court to uphold laws governing sexual predators and sexual offenders.—

(2) If a person meets the criteria in this chapter for designation as a sexual predator or meets the criteria in s. 943.0435, s. 944.606, s. 944.607, or any other law for classification as a sexual offender, the court may not enter an order, for the purpose of approving a plea agreement or for any other reason, which:

(a) Exempts a person who meets the criteria for designation as a sexual predator or classification as a sexual offender from such designation or classification, or exempts such person from the requirements for registration or community and public notification imposed upon sexual predators and sexual offenders;

(b) Restricts the compiling, reporting, or release of public records information that relates to sexual predators or

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sexual offenders; or

(c) Prevents any person or entity from performing its duties or operating within its statutorily conferred authority as such duty or authority relates to sexual predators or sexual offenders.

Section 84. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 944.606, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, section 775.25, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

775.25 Prosecutions for acts or omissions.—A sexual predator or sexual offender who commits any act or omission in violation of s. 775.21, s. 943.0435, s. 944.605, s. 944.606, s. 944.607, or former s. 947.177 may be prosecuted for the act or omission in the county in which the act or omission was committed, in the county of the last registered address of the sexual predator or sexual offender, in the county in which the conviction occurred for the offense or offenses that meet the criteria for designating a person as a sexual predator or sexual offender, in the county where the sexual predator or sexual offender was released from incarceration, or in the county of the intended address of the sexual predator or sexual offender as reported by the predator or offender prior to his or her release from incarceration. In addition, a sexual predator may be prosecuted for any such act or omission in the county in which he or she was designated a sexual predator.

Section 85. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 944.606, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, subsection (2) of section 943.0436, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

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943.0436 Duty of the court to uphold laws governing sexual predators and sexual offenders.—

(2) If a person meets the criteria in chapter 775 for designation as a sexual predator or meets the criteria in s. 943.0435, s. 944.606, s. 944.607, or any other law for classification as a sexual offender, the court may not enter an order, for the purpose of approving a plea agreement or for any other reason, which:

(a) Exempts a person who meets the criteria for designation as a sexual predator or classification as a sexual offender from such designation or classification, or exempts such person from the requirements for registration or community and public notification imposed upon sexual predators and sexual offenders;

(b) Restricts the compiling, reporting, or release of public records information that relates to sexual predators or sexual offenders; or

(c) Prevents any person or entity from performing its duties or operating within its statutorily conferred authority as such duty or authority relates to sexual predators or sexual offenders.

Section 86. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 944.606, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, section 948.31, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

948.31 Evaluation and treatment of sexual predators and offenders on probation or community control.—The court may require any probationer or community controllee who is required to register as a sexual predator under s. 775.21 or sexual offender under s. 943.0435, s. 944.606, or s. 944.607 to undergo

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an evaluation, at the probationer or community controllee's expense, by a qualified practitioner to determine whether such probationer or community controllee needs sexual offender treatment. If the qualified practitioner determines that sexual offender treatment is needed and recommends treatment, the probationer or community controllee must successfully complete and pay for the treatment. Such treatment must be obtained from a qualified practitioner as defined in s. 948.001. Treatment may not be administered by a qualified practitioner who has been convicted or adjudicated delinquent of committing, or attempting, soliciting, or conspiring to commit, any offense that is listed in s. 943.0435(1)(h)1.a.(I).

Section 87. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 944.606, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, paragraph (b) of subsection (6) of section 985.04, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

985.04 Oaths; records; confidential information.—

(6)

(b) Sexual offender and predator registration information as required in ss. 775.21, 943.0435, 944.606, 944.607, 985.481, and 985.4815 is a public record pursuant to s. 119.07(1) and as otherwise provided by law.

Section 88. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 944.607, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, subsection (3) of section 322.141, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

322.141 Color or markings of certain licenses or identification cards.—

(3) All licenses for the operation of motor vehicles or

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identification cards originally issued or reissued by the department to persons who are designated as sexual predators under s. 775.21 or subject to registration as sexual offenders under s. 943.0435 or s. 944.607, or who have a similar designation or are subject to a similar registration under the laws of another jurisdiction, shall have on the front of the license or identification card the following:

(a) For a person designated as a sexual predator under s. 775.21 or who has a similar designation under the laws of another jurisdiction, the marking "SEXUAL PREDATOR."

(b) For a person subject to registration as a sexual offender under s. 943.0435 or s. 944.607, or subject to a similar registration under the laws of another jurisdiction, the marking "943.0435, F.S."

Section 89. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 944.607, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, subsection (4) of section 775.13, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

775.13 Registration of convicted felons, exemptions; penalties.—

(4) This section does not apply to an offender:

(a) Who has had his or her civil rights restored;

(b) Who has received a full pardon for the offense for which convicted;

(c) Who has been lawfully released from incarceration or other sentence or supervision for a felony conviction for more than 5 years prior to such time for registration, unless the offender is a fugitive from justice on a felony charge or has been convicted of any offense since release from such

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incarceration or other sentence or supervision;

(d) Who is a parolee or probationer under the supervision of the United States Parole Commission if the commission knows of and consents to the presence of the offender in Florida or is a probationer under the supervision of any federal probation officer in the state or who has been lawfully discharged from such parole or probation;

(e) Who is a sexual predator and has registered as required under s. 775.21;

(f) Who is a sexual offender and has registered as required in s. 943.0435 or s. 944.607; or

(g) Who is a career offender who has registered as required in s. 775.261 or s. 944.609.

Section 90. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 944.607, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, subsection (2) of section 775.24, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

775.24 Duty of the court to uphold laws governing sexual predators and sexual offenders.—

(2) If a person meets the criteria in this chapter for designation as a sexual predator or meets the criteria in s. 943.0435, s. 944.606, s. 944.607, or any other law for classification as a sexual offender, the court may not enter an order, for the purpose of approving a plea agreement or for any other reason, which:

(a) Exempts a person who meets the criteria for designation as a sexual predator or classification as a sexual offender from such designation or classification, or exempts such person from the requirements for registration or community and public

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notification imposed upon sexual predators and sexual offenders;

(b) Restricts the compiling, reporting, or release of public records information that relates to sexual predators or sexual offenders; or

(c) Prevents any person or entity from performing its duties or operating within its statutorily conferred authority as such duty or authority relates to sexual predators or sexual offenders.

Section 91. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 944.607, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, section 775.25, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

775.25 Prosecutions for acts or omissions.—A sexual predator or sexual offender who commits any act or omission in violation of s. 775.21, s. 943.0435, s. 944.605, s. 944.606, s. 944.607, or former s. 947.177 may be prosecuted for the act or omission in the county in which the act or omission was committed, in the county of the last registered address of the sexual predator or sexual offender, in the county in which the conviction occurred for the offense or offenses that meet the criteria for designating a person as a sexual predator or sexual offender, in the county where the sexual predator or sexual offender was released from incarceration, or in the county of the intended address of the sexual predator or sexual offender as reported by the predator or offender prior to his or her release from incarceration. In addition, a sexual predator may be prosecuted for any such act or omission in the county in which he or she was designated a sexual predator.

Section 92. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment

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made by this act to section 944.607, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, subsection (2) of section 943.0436, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

943.0436 Duty of the court to uphold laws governing sexual predators and sexual offenders.—

(2) If a person meets the criteria in chapter 775 for designation as a sexual predator or meets the criteria in s. 943.0435, s. 944.606, s. 944.607, or any other law for classification as a sexual offender, the court may not enter an order, for the purpose of approving a plea agreement or for any other reason, which:

(a) Exempts a person who meets the criteria for designation as a sexual predator or classification as a sexual offender from such designation or classification, or exempts such person from the requirements for registration or community and public notification imposed upon sexual predators and sexual offenders;

(b) Restricts the compiling, reporting, or release of public records information that relates to sexual predators or sexual offenders; or

(c) Prevents any person or entity from performing its duties or operating within its statutorily conferred authority as such duty or authority relates to sexual predators or sexual offenders.

Section 93. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 944.607, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, subsection (4) of section 948.06, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

948.06 Violation of probation or community control; revocation; modification; continuance; failure to pay

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3220 restitution or cost of supervision.—

3221 (4) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, a
3222 felony probationer or an offender in community control who is
3223 arrested for violating his or her probation or community control
3224 in a material respect may be taken before the court in the
3225 county or circuit in which the probationer or offender was
3226 arrested. That court shall advise him or her of the charge of a
3227 violation and, if such charge is admitted, shall cause him or
3228 her to be brought before the court that granted the probation or
3229 community control. If the violation is not admitted by the
3230 probationer or offender, the court may commit him or her or
3231 release him or her with or without bail to await further
3232 hearing. However, if the probationer or offender is under
3233 supervision for any criminal offense proscribed in chapter 794,
3234 s. 800.04(4), (5), (6), s. 827.071, or s. 847.0145, or is a
3235 registered sexual predator or a registered sexual offender, or
3236 is under supervision for a criminal offense for which he or she
3237 would meet the registration criteria in s. 775.21, s. 943.0435,
3238 or s. 944.607 but for the effective date of those sections, the
3239 court must make a finding that the probationer or offender is
3240 not a danger to the public prior to release with or without
3241 bail. In determining the danger posed by the offender's or
3242 probationer's release, the court may consider the nature and
3243 circumstances of the violation and any new offenses charged; the
3244 offender's or probationer's past and present conduct, including
3245 convictions of crimes; any record of arrests without conviction
3246 for crimes involving violence or sexual crimes; any other
3247 evidence of allegations of unlawful sexual conduct or the use of
3248 violence by the offender or probationer; the offender's or

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probationer's family ties, length of residence in the community, employment history, and mental condition; his or her history and conduct during the probation or community control supervision from which the violation arises and any other previous supervisions, including disciplinary records of previous incarcerations; the likelihood that the offender or probationer will engage again in a criminal course of conduct; the weight of the evidence against the offender or probationer; and any other facts the court considers relevant. The court, as soon as is practicable, shall give the probationer or offender an opportunity to be fully heard on his or her behalf in person or by counsel. After the hearing, the court shall make findings of fact and forward the findings to the court that granted the probation or community control and to the probationer or offender or his or her attorney. The findings of fact by the hearing court are binding on the court that granted the probation or community control. Upon the probationer or offender being brought before it, the court that granted the probation or community control may revoke, modify, or continue the probation or community control or may place the probationer into community control as provided in this section. However, the probationer or offender shall not be released and shall not be admitted to bail, but shall be brought before the court that granted the probation or community control if any violation of felony probation or community control other than a failure to pay costs or fines or make restitution payments is alleged to have been committed by:

(a) A violent felony offender of special concern, as defined in this section;

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(b) A person who is on felony probation or community control for any offense committed on or after the effective date of this act and who is arrested for a qualifying offense as defined in this section; or

(c) A person who is on felony probation or community control and has previously been found by a court to be a habitual violent felony offender as defined in s. 775.084(1)(b), a three-time violent felony offender as defined in s. 775.084(1)(c), or a sexual predator under s. 775.21, and who is arrested for committing a qualifying offense as defined in this section on or after the effective date of this act.

Section 94. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 944.607, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, section 948.063, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

948.063 Violations of probation or community control by designated sexual offenders and sexual predators.—

(1) If probation or community control for any felony offense is revoked by the court pursuant to s. 948.06(2)(e) and the offender is designated as a sexual offender pursuant to s. 943.0435 or s. 944.607 or as a sexual predator pursuant to s. 775.21 for unlawful sexual activity involving a victim 15 years of age or younger and the offender is 18 years of age or older, and if the court imposes a subsequent term of supervision following the revocation of probation or community control, the court must order electronic monitoring as a condition of the subsequent term of probation or community control.

(2) If the probationer or offender is required to register as a sexual predator under s. 775.21 or as a sexual offender

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under s. 943.0435 or s. 944.607 for unlawful sexual activity involving a victim 15 years of age or younger and the probationer or offender is 18 years of age or older and has violated the conditions of his or her probation or community control, but the court does not revoke the probation or community control, the court shall nevertheless modify the probation or community control to include electronic monitoring for any probationer or offender not then subject to electronic monitoring.

Section 95. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 944.607, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, section 948.31, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

948.31 Evaluation and treatment of sexual predators and offenders on probation or community control.—The court may require any probationer or community controllee who is required to register as a sexual predator under s. 775.21 or sexual offender under s. 943.0435, s. 944.606, or s. 944.607 to undergo an evaluation, at the probationer or community controllee's expense, by a qualified practitioner to determine whether such probationer or community controllee needs sexual offender treatment. If the qualified practitioner determines that sexual offender treatment is needed and recommends treatment, the probationer or community controllee must successfully complete and pay for the treatment. Such treatment must be obtained from a qualified practitioner as defined in s. 948.001. Treatment may not be administered by a qualified practitioner who has been convicted or adjudicated delinquent of committing, or attempting, soliciting, or conspiring to commit, any offense

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that is listed in s. 943.0435(1)(h)1.a.(I).

Section 96. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 944.607, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, paragraph (b) of subsection (6) of section 985.04, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

985.04 Oaths; records; confidential information.—

(6)

(b) Sexual offender and predator registration information as required in ss. 775.21, 943.0435, 944.606, 944.607, 985.481, and 985.4815 is a public record pursuant to s. 119.07(1) and as otherwise provided by law.

Section 97. This act shall take effect October 1, 2025.