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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to nonprofit agricultural organization
3 health coverage; providing directives to the Division
4 of Law Revision; providing a short title; creating s.
5 632.701, F.S.; providing legislative purpose; defining
6 the term "nonprofit agricultural organization";
7 authorizing nonprofit agricultural organizations to
8 provide health coverage; specifying that such coverage
9 is not insurance for purposes of the Florida Insurance
10 Code; providing an effective date.

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

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14 Section 1. The Division of Law Revision is directed to:

15 (1) Revise the title of chapter 632, Florida Statutes, to
16 read "Fraternal Benefit Societies and Nonprofit Agricultural
17 Organizations";

18 (2) Create part I of chapter 632, Florida Statutes,
19 consisting of ss. 632.601-632.638, Florida Statutes, to be
20 entitled "Fraternal Benefit Societies"; and

21 (3) Create part II of chapter 632, Florida Statutes,
22 consisting of s. 632.701, Florida Statutes, to be entitled
23 "Nonprofit Agricultural Organizations."

24 Section 2. This act may be cited as the "Nonprofit
25 Agricultural Organization Health Coverage Act of 2025."

26 Section 3. Section 632.701, Florida Statutes, is created to
27 read:

28 632.701 Nonprofit agricultural organization health
29 coverage.-

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30 (1) The purpose of this section is to authorize nonprofit
31 agricultural organizations to offer health coverage options to
32 their members.

33 (2) For purposes of this section, the term "nonprofit
34 agricultural organization" means an organization that meets all
35 of the following criteria:

36 (a) Is domiciled in this state.

37 (b) Is exempt from federal income tax under s. 501(c)(3) of
38 the Internal Revenue Code.

39 (c) Was created primarily to promote programs for the
40 development of rural communities and the economic stability and
41 sustainability of farmers in this state.

42 (d) Exists to serve its members beyond only offering health
43 coverage.

44 (e) Collects annual dues from its members.

45 (f) Was in existence before 1945.

46 (g) Is composed of members who, collectively, are residents
47 of the majority of counties in this state.

48 (3) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, a nonprofit
49 agricultural organization may offer health coverage. Such
50 coverage is not insurance for purposes of the Florida Insurance
51 Code.

52 Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2025.