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1 A bill to be entitled 2 An act relating to third-party reservation platforms; 3 providing a short title; creating s. 509.105, F.S.; 4 defining the term "third-party reservation platform"; 5 prohibiting a reservation at a public food service establishment from being listed, advertised, promoted, 6 7 or sold through a third-party reservation platform; 8 providing an exception; authorizing the Division of 9 Hotels and Restaurants of the Department of Business 10 and Professional Regulation to impose a civil penalty 11 not to exceed a specified amount for a violation of 12 this act or of a division rule; providing that such violations shall accrue on a daily basis for certain 13 14 establishments; providing an effective date. 15 16 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 17 This act may be cited to as the "Restaurant 18 Section 1. 19 Reservation Anti-Piracy Act." 20 Section 509.105, Florida Statutes, is created Section 2. 21 to read: 22 509.105 Third-party reservation platforms prohibited.-

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(1) As used in this section, the term "third-party

reservation platform" means a website, mobile application, or

other Internet service that satisfies all of the following:

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(a) Offers or arranges for a reservation at a public food service establishment for on-premises service.

- (b) Is owned and operated by a person other than the owner of the public food service establishment.
- (c) Does not have a contractual relationship or agreement with the public food service establishment, or its contractual designee, to offer or arrange for a reservation at the public food service establishment for on-premises service.
- (2) A third-party reservation platform does not include a contractual designee of an individual customer which arranges for a personal and nontransferrable reservation at a food service establishment at the request of the customer and at no cost to the customer, provided that the designee shares the individual customer's contact information with the food service establishment, allows the food service establishment to confirm the reservation with the individual customer, and honors requests from the food service establishment to opt out of future reservations created by the designee.
- (3) A reservation at a public food service establishment may not be listed, advertised, promoted, facilitated, sold, or otherwise enabled through a third-party reservation platform.
- (4) The division may impose a civil penalty on a thirdparty reservation platform in an amount not to exceed \$1,000 for each violation of this section or of a division rule. Violations under this subsection shall accrue on a daily basis for each day

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

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