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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Committee on Regulated Industries (Smith) recommended the following:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

Delete lines 52 - 94  
and insert:  
report a violation of this subsection to a local code  
enforcement agency.

(3)~~(2)~~ A person who fails to equip a ~~new~~ residential  
swimming pool with at least one pool safety feature as required  
in subsection (1) or subsection (2) commits a misdemeanor of the  
second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s.



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775.083, except that no penalty shall be imposed if the person, within 45 days after arrest or issuance of a summons or a notice to appear, has equipped the pool with at least one safety feature as required in subsection (1) or subsection (2) and has attended a drowning prevention education program established by s. 515.31. However, the requirement of attending a drowning prevention education program is waived if such program is not offered within 45 days after issuance of the citation.

Section 2. Subsection (6) is added to section 515.29, Florida Statutes, and subsection (1) of that section is republished, to read:

515.29 Residential swimming pool barrier requirements.—

(1) A residential swimming pool barrier must have all of the following characteristics:

(a) The barrier must be at least 4 feet high on the outside.

(b) The barrier may not have any gaps, openings, indentations, protrusions, or structural components that could allow a young child to crawl under, squeeze through, or climb over the barrier.

(c) The barrier must be placed around the perimeter of the pool and must be separate from any fence, wall, or other enclosure surrounding the yard unless the fence, wall, or other enclosure or portion thereof is situated on the perimeter of the pool, is being used as part of the barrier, and meets the barrier requirements of this section.

(d) The barrier must be placed sufficiently away from the water's edge to prevent a young child or medically frail elderly person who may have managed to penetrate the barrier from



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immediately falling into the water.

(6) A swimming pool, regardless of the year in which the pool was built, located on residential real property that is transferred or sold on or after October 1, 2025, must meet all of the pool barrier requirements in subsection (1). A title company, an inspector, or an underwriter for the mortgage secured on the residential real property must report a violation of this subsection to a local code enforcement agency.

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And the title is amended as follows:

Delete lines 3 - 9

and insert:

requirements; amending s. 515.27, F.S.; requiring that swimming pools located on residential real property that is transferred or sold on or after a specified date meet certain pool safety requirements; requiring certain persons to report violations of the law to a local code enforcement agency; providing a criminal penalty; amending s. 515.29, F.S.; requiring that swimming pools located on residential real property that is transferred or sold on or after a specified date meet certain pool barrier requirements; requiring certain persons to report violations of the law to a local code enforcement agency;