1 A bill to be entitled 2 An act relating to hemp consumable THC products; 3 amending s. 500.03, F.S.; revising the definition of 4 the term "food"; amending s. 581.217, F.S.; revising 5 and providing definitions; providing for the 6 distribution and retail sale of hemp consumable THC 7 products; authorizing the Department of Agriculture 8 and Consumer Services to adopt rules; providing 9 penalties; providing for the certification of 10 independent laboratories by the department; requiring 11 the Department of Health to assist the Department of 12 Agriculture and Consumer Services in developing specified rules; authorizing the department to take 13 14 certain actions against licensees and permittees; 15 creating s. 581.218, F.S.; providing definitions; 16 providing for mail order, Internet, and remote sales 17 of hemp consumable THC products; providing penalties; creating s. 581.219, F.S.; providing for the seizure 18 and destruction of contraband hemp consumable THC 19 products; creating s. 581.220, F.S.; prohibiting the 20 21 ingestion of hemp consumable THC products near school properties; providing exceptions; providing penalties; 22 23 amending ss. 565.04 and 565.045, F.S.; authorizing 24 specified businesses to sell hemp consumable THC products; amending ss. 569.006 and 569.35, F.S.; 25

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conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing effective dates. Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: Effective January 1, 2026, paragraph (n) of Section 1. subsection (1) of section 500.03, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 500.03 Definitions; construction; applicability.-(1)For the purpose of this chapter, the term: "Food" includes: (n) 1. Articles used for food or drink for human consumption; 2. Chewing gum; 3. Articles used for components of any such article; Articles for which health claims are made, which claims 4. are approved by the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services and which claims are made in accordance with s. 343(r) of the federal act, and which are not considered drugs solely because their labels or labeling contain health claims; 5. Dietary supplements as defined in 21 U.S.C. s. 321(ff)(1) and (2); and Hemp consumable THC products extract as defined in s. 6. 581.217(3) s. 581.217.

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51 The term includes any raw, cooked, or processed edible 52 substance; ice; any beverage; or any ingredient used, intended 53 for use, or sold for human consumption. 54 Section 2. Effective January 1, 2026, subsections (10) through (13) of section 581.217, Florida Statutes, are 55 56 renumbered as subsections (11) through (14), respectively, subsections (3) and (7) and present subsections (10), (12), and 57 58 (13) are amended, and a new subsection (10) is added to that 59 section, to read: 581.217 State hemp program.-60 61 DEFINITIONS.-As used in this section, the term: (3) 62 "Attractive to children" means manufactured in the (a) 63 shape of or packaged in containers or packages displaying 64 humans, cartoons, or animals, toys, or other features that 65 target children; manufactured in a form or packaged in a 66 container or package that bears any reasonable resemblance to an 67 existing candy or snack product that is familiar to the public; 68 manufactured in a form or packaged in a container or package 69 that bears any reasonable resemblance to a as a widely 70 distributed, branded food product such that the a product could 71 be mistaken for the branded food product, especially by children; or containing any color additives. 72 73 (b) "Certifying agency" has the same meaning as in s. 578.011(8). 74 75 "Cigarette" means any roll for smoking. (C) Page 3 of 31

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76 (d) (c) "Contaminants unsafe for human consumption" 77 includes, but is not limited to, any microbe, fungus, yeast, 78 mildew, herbicide, pesticide, fungicide, residual solvent, 79 metal, or other contaminant found in any amount that exceeds any 80 of the accepted limitations as determined by rules adopted by the Department of Health in accordance with s. 381.986, or other 81 82 limitation pursuant to the laws of this state, whichever amount 83 is less.

84 <u>(e) (d)</u> "Cultivate" means planting, watering, growing, or 85 harvesting hemp.

(f) (e) "Hemp" means the plant Cannabis sativa L. and any 86 87 part of that plant, including the seeds thereof, and all derivatives, extracts, cannabinoids, isomers, acids, salts, and 88 89 salts of isomers thereof, whether growing or not, that has a total delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol concentration that does not 90 exceed 0.3 percent on a dry-weight basis, with the exception of 91 92 hemp consumable THC products extract, which may not exceed 0.3 93 percent total delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol on a wet-weight 94 basis.

95 <u>(g) "Hemp consumable THC product" means a substance or</u> 96 <u>compound intended for ingestion, containing more than trace</u> 97 <u>amounts of tetrahydrocannabinol derived from hemp or any other</u> 98 <u>source, or for inhalation which is derived from or contains</u> 99 <u>tetrahydrocannabinol derived from hemp or any other source, and</u> 100 <u>which does not contain controlled substances. The term does not</u>

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include synthetic cannabidiol or seeds or seed-derived ingredients that are generally recognized as safe by the United States Food and Drug Administration or marijuana used for medical purposes under s. 381.986. (f) "Hemp extract" means a substance or compound intended for ingestion, containing more than trace amounts of a cannabinoid, or for inhalation which is derived from or contains hemp and which does not contain controlled substances. The term does not include synthetic cannabidiol or seeds or seed-derived ingredients that are generally recognized as safe by the United States Food and Drug Administration. (h) (g) "Independent testing laboratory" means a laboratory that: Does not have a direct or indirect interest in the 1. entity whose product is being tested; Does not have a direct or indirect interest in a 2. facility that cultivates, processes, distributes, dispenses, or sells hemp or hemp consumable THC products extract in the state or in another jurisdiction or cultivates, processes, distributes, dispenses, or sells marijuana, as defined in s. 381.986; and

3. Is <u>certified by the Department of Health as a medical</u>
 <u>marijuana testing laboratory pursuant to s. 381.988 or is</u>
 <u>certified by the department pursuant to subsection (10) as being</u>
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| 126 | laboratory accredited by a third-party accrediting body as a |
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| 127 | competent testing laboratory pursuant to ISO/IEC 17025 of the |
| 128 | International Organization for Standardization. |
| 129 | (i) "Manufacturer" means any person or entity that engages |
| 130 | in the process of manufacturing, preparing, or packaging hemp |
| 131 | consumable THC products. |
| 132 | (j) "Retailer" means any person or entity that sells hemp |
| 133 | consumable THC products to consumers. |
| 134 | (k) "Vapor-generating electronic device" means any device |
| 135 | or product that employs an electronic, chemical, or mechanical |
| 136 | means of producing vapor or aerosol from a hemp consumable THC |
| 137 | product or any other substance, including, but not limited to, |
| 138 | an electronic cigarette, electronic cigar, electronic cigarillo, |
| 139 | electronic pipe, or other similar device or product; any |
| 140 | replacement cartridge for such device or product; and any other |
| 141 | container of a solution or other substance intended to be used |
| 142 | with or within such device or product. |
| 143 | (1) "Wholesaler" means any person or entity located within |
| 144 | or outside this state which delivers or sells hemp consumable |
| 145 | THC products to retailers or other persons for purposes of |
| 146 | resale. |
| 147 | (7) DISTRIBUTION AND RETAIL SALE OF HEMP CONSUMABLE THC |
| 148 | PRODUCTS EXTRACT |
| 149 | (a) Hemp <u>consumable THC products</u> extract may only be |
| 150 | distributed and sold in the state if the product: |
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| 151 | 1. Has a certificate of analysis prepared by an |
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| 152 | independent testing laboratory that states: |
| 153 | a. The hemp <u>consumable THC product</u> extract is the product |
| 154 | of a batch tested by the independent testing laboratory; |
| 155 | b. The batch contained a total delta-9- |
| 156 | tetrahydrocannabinol concentration that did not exceed 0.3 |
| 157 | percent pursuant to the testing of a random sample of the batch; |
| 158 | c. The batch does not contain contaminants unsafe for |
| 159 | human consumption; and |
| 160 | d. The batch was processed in a facility that holds a |
| 161 | current and valid permit issued by a human health or food safety |
| 162 | regulatory entity with authority over the facility, and that |
| 163 | facility meets the human health or food safety sanitization |
| 164 | requirements of the regulatory entity. Such compliance must be |
| 165 | documented by a report from the regulatory entity confirming |
| 166 | that the facility meets such requirements. |
| 167 | 2. Was tested by an independent testing laboratory and the |
| 168 | laboratory's certificate of analysis states: |
| 169 | a. The hemp consumable THC product was tested for: |
| 170 | (I) Cannabinoids. |
| 171 | (II) Heavy metals. |
| 172 | (III) Mycotoxins. |
| 173 | (IV) Pesticides. |
| 174 | (V) Residual solvents. |
| 175 | (VI) Any other controlled substance. |
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176 (VII) Any other substance the department deems necessary. 177 b. The hemp consumable THC product contained a total 178 delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol concentration that did not exceed 179 0.3 percent pursuant to the testing of a sample of the hemp consumable THC product. 180 181 c. The hemp consumable THC product contained 182 tetrahydrocannabinol that did not exceed the limitations in this 183 subsection. 184 d. The product does not contain contaminants unsafe for 185 human consumption. 186 e. Manufacturers, wholesalers, and retailers are required 187 to have their hemp consumable THC products tested by an independent testing laboratory. A wholesaler or retailer is not 188 189 required to test its hemp consumable THC products if the 190 product: 191 (I)Is packaged in a manner that may be sold to the 192 ultimate consumer when the wholesaler or retailer receives the 193 product from the manufacturer or wholesaler; 194 (II) Was tested in accordance with this paragraph by the 195 manufacturer or wholesaler; and 196 (III) Has not been opened by the wholesaler or retailer. 197 3.2. Is distributed or sold in a container and package that includes: 198 a. A scannable barcode or quick response code linked to 199 200 the certificate of analysis of the hemp consumable THC product

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201 extract batch by an independent testing laboratory; 202 The hemp consumable THC product batch number; b. 203 с. The Internet address of a website where batch 204 information may be obtained; 205 d. The expiration date of the hemp consumable THC product; 206 and 207 e. The number of milligrams of each marketed cannabinoid 208 per serving. 4.3. Is distributed or sold in a container and package 209 210 that: 211 Is suitable to contain products for human consumption; a. 212 b. Is composed of materials designed to minimize exposure 213 to light; 214 с. Mitigates exposure to high temperatures; 215 d. Is a single color and not transparent. However, the 216 universal symbol, scannable barcode, quick response code, and 217 any text must be a different color than the container and 218 package; 219 e. Does not contain any pictures or images other than a 220 single logo, which may not be attractive to children and may not 221 cover more than 20 percent of the container or package; 222 f. Does not contain any text, pictures, or images that 223 directly or indirectly state the product causes or may cause an 224 intoxicating or psychoactive effect; 225 g. Contains a clear and conspicuous warning on the front

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| 226 | of the package and container which is developed by the |
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| 227 | department and states the product contains tetrahydrocannabinol; |
| 228 | h. Contains a hemp consumable THC product universal symbol |
| 229 | developed by the department; |
| 230 | i. Contains the number of milligrams of |
| 231 | tetrahydrocannabinol in the container and package and the amount |
| 232 | in each individual serving in a clear and conspicuous manner; |
| 233 | j.d. Is not attractive to children; and |
| 234 | <u>k.</u> e. Is compliant with the United States Poison Prevention |
| 235 | Packaging Act of 1970, 15 U.S.C. ss. 1471 et seq., without |
| 236 | regard to provided exemptions. For purposes of this sub- |
| 237 | subparagraph, a beverage in a sealed container is considered |
| 238 | compliant with the United States Poison Prevention Packaging Act |
| 239 | of 1970, 15 U.S.C. ss. 1471 et seq. |
| 240 | (b) Hemp consumable THC products may only be sold at |
| 241 | retail subject to the following limitations: |
| 242 | 1. Beverages may not: |
| 243 | a. Contain more than 5 milligrams of tetrahydrocannabinol |
| 244 | per 6 ounces. |
| 245 | b. Be in a container that holds more than 12 ounces. |
| 246 | c. Be in a package with more than 10 containers per |
| 247 | package. |
| 248 | 2. Cigarettes and vapor-generating electronic devices may |
| 249 | not: |
| 250 | a. Contain more than 1 gram. |
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| 251 | b. Contain more than 2.5 milligrams of |
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| 252 | tetrahydrocannabinol per gram. |
| 253 | c. Be in a container that holds more than 20 cigarettes or |
| 254 | vapor-generating electronic devices. |
| 255 | d. Be in a package that contains more than one container. |
| 256 | 3. Edibles may not: |
| 257 | a. Contain more than 2.5 milligrams of |
| 258 | tetrahydrocannabinol per gram. |
| 259 | b. Contain more than 2 grams and must be individually |
| 260 | wrapped. |
| 261 | c. Be in a container with more than 20 edibles. |
| 262 | d. Be in a package that contains more than one container. |
| 263 | 4. Tinctures may not: |
| 264 | a. Contain more than 100 milligrams of |
| 265 | tetrahydrocannabinol per 35 grams. |
| 266 | b. Be in a container that holds more than 35 grams. |
| 267 | c. Be in a package that holds more than one container. |
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| 269 | This paragraph is repealed December 31, 2028. |
| 270 | (c) Effective January 1, 2029, hemp consumable THC |
| 271 | products may only be sold at retail subject to the following |
| 272 | limitations: |
| 273 | 1. Beverages may not: |
| 274 | a. Contain more than 2.5 milligrams of |
| 275 | tetrahydrocannabinol per 6 ounces. |
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| 276 | b. Be in a container that holds more than 12 ounces. |
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| 277 | c. Be in a package with more than 10 containers per |
| 278 | package. |
| 279 | 2. Cigarettes and vapor-generating electronic devices may |
| 280 | not: |
| 281 | a. Contain more than 1 gram. |
| 282 | b. Contain more than 1.25 milligrams of |
| 283 | tetrahydrocannabinol per gram. |
| 284 | c. Be in a container that holds more than 20 cigarettes or |
| 285 | vapor-generating electronic devices. |
| 286 | d. Be in a package that contains more than one container. |
| 287 | 3. Edibles may not: |
| 288 | a. Contain more than 1.25 milligrams of |
| 289 | tetrahydrocannabinol per gram. |
| 290 | b. Contain more than 2 grams and must be individually |
| 291 | wrapped. |
| 292 | c. Be in a container with more than 20 edibles. |
| 293 | d. Be in a package that contains more than one container. |
| 294 | 4. Tinctures may not: |
| 295 | a. Contain more than 50 milligrams of tetrahydrocannabinol |
| 296 | per 35 grams. |
| 297 | b. Be in a container that holds more than 35 grams. |
| 298 | c. Be in a package that holds more than one container. |
| 299 | (d) Paragraph (c) does not limit the amount of cannabidiol |
| 300 | allowed in hemp consumable THC products. |
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301 The retail sale and delivery of hemp consumable THC (e) 302 products is prohibited, except: 303 At establishments that have a food permit from the 1. 304 department and prohibit the presence of persons under 21 years 305 of age on the establishment's premises; 306 2. At establishments that have a food permit from the 307 department and have a quota license issued under s. 308 565.02(1)(a)-(f). Establishments with a quota license issued 309 under s. 565.02(1)(a) - (f) which allow the presence of persons 310 under 21 years of age on the establishment's premises must place 311 hemp consumable THC products, not including beverages, in an 312 area inaccessible to customers. Such establishments may place 313 hemp consumable THC products, not including beverages, in an 314 open display unit as long as the unit is located in an area that 315 is inaccessible to customers; or 316 3. In accordance with the mail order, Internet, and remote 317 sales of hemp consumable THC products requirements in s. 318 581.218. 319 Hemp consumable THC products may not be sold, given, (f) 320 bartered, furnished, or delivered to consumers at wholesale or at festivals, fairs, trade shows, farmers markets, expositions, 321 322 or pop-up retail establishments. 323 (g) (b) Hemp consumable THC products extract may only be 324 sold to a business in this state if that business is properly 325 permitted as required by this section.

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326 <u>(h) (c)</u> Hemp <u>consumable THC products</u> extract distributed or 327 sold in this state <u>are</u> is subject to the applicable requirements 328 of chapter 500, chapter 502, or chapter 580.

(i) A person or entity may not sell, deliver, barter, give, or furnish hemp consumable THC products that total more than 100 milligrams of tetrahydrocannabinol to a person in a 24hour period unless the person receiving the hemp consumable THC products is receiving the products on behalf of a cultivator, manufacturer, wholesaler, or retailer for resale.

335 <u>(j) (d)</u> Hemp consumable THC products that are intended for 336 human ingestion or inhalation and that contain hemp extract, 337 including, but not limited to, snuff, chewing gum, and other 338 smokeless products, may not be sold, delivered, bartered, given, 339 <u>or furnished</u> in this state to a person who is under 21 years of 340 age.

(k) For a first violation of this subsection, a person who 341 342 violates this paragraph commits a misdemeanor of the second 343 degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083. A 344 person who commits a second or subsequent violation of this 345 subsection paragraph within 12 months 1 year after the first 346 initial violation commits a misdemeanor of the first degree, 347 punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083. A person who commits a third or subsequent violation within 12 months after 348 349 the second violation commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083. 350

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351 (1) (e) In addition to paragraph (k), hemp consumable THC 352 products extract distributed or sold in violation of this 353 subsection are is subject to s. 500.172 and penalties as 354 provided in s. 500.121. Hemp consumable THC extract products found to be mislabeled or in violation of subsection (7) 355 356 attractive to children are subject to an immediate stop-sale 357 order. 358 (10) CERTIFICATION OF INDEPENDENT LABORATORIES BY THE 359 DEPARTMENT.-360 (a) The department must certify any laboratory located in 361 this state or another state which meets the qualifications of an 362 independent testing laboratory. However, a medical marijuana 363 testing laboratory certified pursuant to s. 381.988 is not 364 required to receive certification by the department. 365 The department must adopt rules establishing the (b) 366 standards for certification and must adopt rules for the testing 367 and reporting of hemp consumable THC products under this 368 section. The Department of Health must assist the department in 369 developing the rules for the certification of independent 370 testing laboratories, which must include, but are not limited 371 to: 372 1. Security standards. 373 2. Minimum standards for personnel. 374 3. Sample collection method and process standards. 375 4. Proficiency testing for tetrahydrocannabinol potency,

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376 concentration of cannabidiol, and contaminants unsafe for human 377 consumption, as determined by department rule. 378 5. Reporting content, format, and frequency. 379 6. Audits and onsite inspections. 380 7. Quality assurance. 381 8. Equipment and methodology. 382 9. Chain of custody. 383 10. Any other standard the department deems necessary. 384 (C) The department shall adopt rules establishing a 385 procedure for initial certification and biennial renewal. The 386 department shall renew the certification biennially if the 387 laboratory meets the requirements of this section or any rules 388 adopted under this subsection. (d) The department shall publish on its website a list of 389 390 all laboratories that have received certification. 391 (e) The department may refuse to issue or renew, or may 392 suspend or revoke, the certification of a laboratory that is 393 found to be in violation of this section or any rules adopted 394 under this subsection. 395 (f) Any laboratory that receives certification under this 396 subsection from the department agrees to random unannounced 397 audits and onsite inspections by the department or agents 398 thereof. 399 (11) (10) VIOLATIONS.-400 (a) A licensee must complete a corrective action plan if

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401 the department determines that the licensee has negligently 402 violated this section or department rules, including 403 negligently:

404 1. Failing to provide the legal land description and 405 global positioning coordinates pursuant to subsection (5);

406 2. Failing to obtain a proper license or other required407 authorization from the department; or

408 3. Producing Cannabis sativa L. that has a total delta-9-409 tetrahydrocannabinol concentration that exceeds 0.3 percent on a 410 dry-weight basis.

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(b) The corrective action plan must include:

412 1. A reasonable date by which the licensee must correct413 the negligent violation; and

414 2. A requirement that the licensee periodically report to 415 the department on compliance with this section and department 416 rules for a period of at least 2 calendar years after the date 417 of the violation.

(c) A licensee who negligently violates the corrective action plan under this subsection three times within 5 years is ineligible to cultivate hemp for 5 years following the date of the third violation.

(d) If the department determines that a licensee has
violated this section or department rules with a culpable mental
state greater than negligence, the department shall immediately
report the licensee to the Attorney General and the United

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| 427 | (e) In addition to any other penalties provided by law, |
| 428 | the department may take any of the following actions against any |
| 429 | person licensed or permitted by the department for a violation |
| 430 | of this section: |
| 431 | 1. Place on probation or reprimand the licensee or |
| 432 | permittee. |
| 433 | 2. Revoke, suspend, or deny the issuance or renewal of the |
| 434 | license or permit. |
| 435 | 3. Impose an administrative fine not to exceed \$5,000 per |
| 436 | violation or assess costs associated with investigation and |
| 437 | prosecution. |
| 438 | (13) (12) RULES.—The department shall adopt rules to |
| 439 | administer the state hemp program. The rules must provide for: |
| 440 | (a) A procedure that uses post-decarboxylation or other |
| 441 | similarly reliable methods for testing the delta-9- |
| 442 | tetrahydrocannabinol concentration of cultivated hemp. |
| 443 | (b) A procedure for the effective disposal of plants, |
| 444 | whether growing or not, that are cultivated in violation of this |
| 445 | section or department rules, and products derived from those |
| 446 | plants. |
| 447 | (c) Packaging and labeling requirements that ensure that |
| 448 | hemp consumable THC products are not in violation of subsection |
| 449 | (7) extract intended for human ingestion or inhalation is not |
| 450 | attractive to children. |
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| 451 | (d) Advertising regulations that ensure that hemp |
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| 452 | consumable THC products extract intended for human ingestion or |
| 453 | inhalation <u>are</u> is not marketed or advertised in a manner that |
| 454 | specifically targets or is attractive to children. |
| 455 | (14) (13) APPLICABILITYNotwithstanding any other law: |
| 456 | (a) This section does not authorize a licensee to violate |
| 457 | any federal or state law or regulation. |
| 458 | (b) This section does not apply to a pilot project |
| 459 | developed in accordance with 7 U.S.C. 5940 and s. 1004.4473. |
| 460 | (c) A licensee who negligently violates this section or |
| 461 | department rules is not subject to any criminal or civil |
| 462 | enforcement action by the state or a local government other than |
| 463 | the enforcement of violations of this section as authorized |
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| 464 | under subsection (11) (10). |
| 464 465 | under subsection <u>(11)</u> (10) . Section 3. Effective January 1, 2026, section 581.218, |
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| 465 | Section 3. Effective January 1, 2026, section 581.218, |
| 465 466 | Section 3. Effective January 1, 2026, section 581.218, Florida Statutes, is created to read: |
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476 The consumer submits the order for the sale by 1. 477 telephonic or other voice transmission, mail, delivery service, 478 or the Internet or other online service; or 2. The hemp consumable THC products are delivered by use 479 480 of mail or a delivery service. 481 "Delivery service" means any person engaged in the (C) commercial delivery of letters, packages, or other containers. 482 "Hemp consumable THC product" has the same meaning as 483 (d) 484 in s. 581.217(3). 485 (e) "Legal minimum purchase age" means the minimum age at 486 which an individual may legally purchase hemp consumable THC 487 products in this state. 488 (f) "Retailer" has the same meaning as in s. 581.217(3). 489 (g) "Shipping container" means a container in which hemp 490 consumable THC products are shipped in connection with a 491 delivery sale. 492 (h) "Shipping document" means a bill of lading, airbill, 493 United States Postal Service form, or any other document used to 494 verify the undertaking by a delivery service to deliver letters, 495 packages, or other containers. 496 (i) "Wholesaler" has the same meaning as in s. 581.217(3). 497 (2) (a) The sale of hemp consumable THC products constituting a delivery sale under paragraph (1)(b) is a 498 499 delivery sale regardless of whether the person accepting the 500 order for the delivery sale is located within or outside this

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| 502 | (b) A retailer must obtain a food permit from the |
| 503 | department under chapter 500 before accepting an order for a |
| 504 | delivery sale of hemp consumable THC products. |
| 505 | (c) A person may not make a delivery sale of hemp |
| 506 | consumable THC products to any individual who is not 21 years of |
| 507 | age or older. |
| 508 | (d) Each person accepting an order for a delivery sale of |
| 509 | hemp consumable THC products must comply with all of the |
| 510 | following: |
| 511 | 1. The age verification requirements of subsection (3). |
| 512 | 2. The disclosure requirements of subsection (4). |
| 513 | 3. The shipping requirements of subsection (5). |
| 514 | (3) A person may not mail, ship, or otherwise deliver hemp |
| 515 | consumable THC products in connection with an order for a |
| 516 | delivery sale unless, before the first delivery to the consumer, |
| 517 | the person accepting the order for the delivery sale does all of |
| 518 | the following: |
| 519 | (a) Obtains from the person submitting the order a |
| 520 | certification that includes: |
| 521 | 1. Reliable confirmation that the person is 21 years of |
| 522 | age or older; and |
| 523 | 2. A statement signed by the person in writing and under |
| 524 | penalty of perjury which: |
| 525 | a. Certifies the address and date of birth of the person; |
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526 and 527 b. Confirms that the person wants to receive delivery 528 sales from a hemp consumable THC product retailer and 529 understands that, under the laws of the state, the following 530 actions are illegal: 531 (I) Signing another person's name to the certification. 532 (II) Selling hemp consumable THC products to individuals 533 who are not 21 years of age or older. 534 (III) Purchasing hemp consumable THC products if the 535 person making the purchase is not 21 years of age or older. Makes a good faith effort to verify the information 536 (b) 537 contained in the certification provided by the individual 538 pursuant to paragraph (a) against a commercially available 539 database that may be reasonably relied upon for accurate age 540 information or obtains a photocopy or other image of a valid 541 government-issued identification card stating the date of birth 542 or age of the individual. 543 (c) Provides to the individual, by electronic mail or 544 other means, a notice meeting the requirements of subsection (4). 545 546 (d) If an order for hemp consumable THC products is made 547 pursuant to an advertisement on the Internet, receives payment 548 for the delivery sale from the consumer by a credit or debit 549 card issued in the name of the consumer, or by personal or 550 company check of the consumer.

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551 Submits, to each credit card acquiring company with (e) 552 which the person has credit card sales, identification 553 information in an appropriate form and format so that the words 554 "Hemp consumable THC product" may be printed in the purchaser's 555 credit card statement when a purchase of hemp consumable THC 556 products is made by credit card payment. 557 (f) Makes a telephone call after 5 p.m. to the purchaser 558 confirming the order before shipping the hemp consumable THC 559 products. The telephone call may be a person-to-person call or a 560 recorded message. The person accepting the order for delivery 561 sale is not required to speak directly with a person and may 562 leave a message on an answering machine or through voicemail. 563 564 In addition to the requirements of this subsection, a person 565 accepting an order for a delivery sale of hemp consumable THC 566 products may request that a consumer provide an e-mail address. 567 The notice under paragraph (3)(c) must include (4) 568 prominent and clearly legible statements that sales of hemp 569 consumable THC products are: 570 (a) Illegal if made to individuals who are not 21 years of 571 age or older. (b) 572 Restricted to those individuals who provide verifiable 573 proof of age pursuant to subsection (3). 574 Each person who mails, ships, or otherwise delivers (5) hemp consumable THC products in connection with an order for a 575

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576 delivery sale must: 577 Ship hemp consumable THC products that comply with the (a) 578 limitations on the retail sale of such products in s. 581.217. 579 (b) Ship hemp consumable THC products in a container that 580 complies with the container requirements of s. 518.217. 581 Include as part of the shipping documents, in a clear (C) 582 and conspicuous manner, the following statement: "Hemp 583 consumable THC product: Florida law prohibits shipping to 584 individuals under 21 years of age." 585 (d) Use a method of mailing, shipping, or delivery that 586 obligates the delivery service to require: 587 1. The individual submitting the order for the delivery 588 sale or another person 21 years of age or older who resides at 589 the individual's address to sign his or her name to accept 590 delivery of the shipping container. 591 2. Proof that the individual is the addressee, or an 592 individual who is 21 years of age or older designated by the 593 addressee, in the form of a valid, government-issued 594 identification card bearing a photograph of the individual who 595 signs to accept delivery of the shipping container. 596 597 If the person accepting a purchase order for a delivery sale 598 delivers the hemp consumable THC products without using a 599 delivery service, the person must comply with all of the 600 requirements of this section which apply to a delivery service.

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601 Any failure to comply with a requirement of this section 602 constitutes a violation thereof. 603 This section does not apply to delivery sales of hemp (6) 604 consumable THC products to a retailer or wholesaler. 605 (7) An individual who is 21 years of age or older who knowingly violates any provision of this section commits a 606 607 misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083. 608 609 (8) The Attorney General, the Attorney General's designee, 610 or a state attorney may bring an action in the appropriate court 611 in the state to prevent or restrain violations of this section 612 by any person. 613 Section 4. Effective January 1, 2026, section 581.219, 614 Florida Statutes, is created to read: 615 581.219 Seizure and destruction of contraband hemp 616 consumable THC products.-All hemp consumable THC products, as 617 defined in s. 581.217(3), sold, offered for sale, delivered, or 618 distributed contrary to any provision of ss. 581.217 and 581.218 619 are declared to be contraband, are subject to seizure and 620 confiscation under the Florida Contraband Forfeiture Act by any 621 person whose duty it is to enforce those sections, and must be 622 disposed of as follows: (1) A court having jurisdiction shall order the hemp 623 624 consumable THC products forfeited upon a showing that, by a 625 preponderance of the evidence, the products were sold, offered

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| 626 | for sale, delivered, or distributed contrary to any provision of |
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| 627 | ss. 581.217 and 581.218. Upon completion of any chapter 120 |
| 628 | proceedings related to the seized hemp consumable THC products, |
| 629 | the court shall order the products destroyed except as provided |
| 630 | by applicable court orders. The officer who destroys the |
| 631 | products shall keep a record of the location where the products |
| 632 | were seized, the kinds and quantities of the products destroyed, |
| 633 | and the time, place, and manner of the destruction of the |
| 634 | products and shall make a return under oath reporting such |
| 635 | destruction. |
| 636 | (2) The department or seizing law enforcement agency shall |
| 637 | keep a full and complete record of all products seized under |
| 638 | this section showing: |
| 639 | (a) The exact kinds, quantities, and forms of the |
| 640 | products. |
| 641 | (b) The persons from whom the products were seized and to |
| 642 | whom they were delivered. |
| 643 | (c) By whose authority the products were seized, |
| 644 | delivered, and destroyed. |
| 645 | (d) The dates of the seizure, disposal, and destruction of |
| 646 | the products. |
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| 648 | Records under this subsection must be open to inspection by all |
| 649 | persons charged with the enforcement of ss. 581.217 and 581.218. |
| 650 | (3) The cost of seizure, confiscation, and destruction of |
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651 contraband hemp consumable THC products is borne by the person 652 from whom the products are seized. 653 (4) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the 654 procedures of the Florida Contraband Forfeiture Act apply to 655 this section. 656 Section 5. Effective January 1, 2026, section 581.220, 657 Florida Statutes, is created to read: 658 581.220 Ingesting hemp consumable THC products prohibited 659 near school property.-660 (1) A person may not ingest hemp consumable THC products, 661 as defined in s. 581.217(3), in, on, or within 1,000 feet of the 662 real property comprising a public or private elementary, middle, 663 or secondary school between the hours of 6 a.m. and midnight. 664 This section does not apply to a person who is in a moving 665 vehicle or within a private residence. 666 (2) A law enforcement officer may issue a citation in such 667 form as prescribed by a county or municipality to any person who 668 violates this section. The citation must contain all of the 669 following: 670 The date and time of issuance. (a) 671 (b) The name and address of the person cited. 672 The date and time the civil infraction was committed. (C) 673 (d) The statute violated. 674 (e) The facts constituting the violation. 675 (f) The name and authority of the law enforcement officer.

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676 (g) The procedure for the person to follow to pay the 677 civil penalty, to contest the citation, or to appear in court. 678 The applicable civil penalty if the person elects not (h) 679 to contest the citation. 680 (3) Any person issued a citation pursuant to this section is charged with a civil infraction, punishable by a civil 681 682 penalty of up to \$25, 50 hours of community service, or, where 683 available, successful completion of a school-approved, anti-684 drug, alternative-to-suspension program. 685 (4) Any person who fails to comply with the directions on 686 the citation waives his or her right to contest the citation, 687 and an order to show cause may be issued by the court. 688 Section 6. Effective January 1, 2026, subsection (1) of 689 section 565.04, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 690 565.04 Package store restrictions.-691 (1) Vendors licensed under s. 565.02(1)(a) shall not in 692 said place of business sell, offer, or expose for sale any 693 merchandise other than such beverages, and such places of 694 business shall be devoted exclusively to such sales; provided, 695 however, that such vendors shall be permitted to sell bitters; 696 grenadine; nonalcoholic mixer-type beverages, not to include 697 fruit juices produced outside this state; fruit juices produced in this state; home bar and party supplies and equipment, 698 including but not limited to glassware and party-type foods; 699 700 miniatures of no alcoholic content; nicotine products; and

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701 tobacco products. Such places of business shall have no openings 702 permitting direct access to any other building or room, except 703 to a private office or storage room of the place of business 704 from which patrons are excluded. Vendors licensed under s. 705 565.02(1)(a) may sell hemp consumable THC products in accordance 706 with ss. 581.217 and 581.218. 707 Section 7. Effective January 1, 2026, paragraph (a) of 708 subsection (2) of section 565.045, Florida Statutes, is amended 709 to read: 710 565.045 Regulations for consumption on premises; penalty; 711 exemptions.-712 (2) (a) There shall not be sold at such places of business 713 anything other than the beverages permitted, home bar and party 714 supplies and equipment (including, but not limited to, glassware 715 and party-type foods), cigarettes, hemp consumable THC products 716 in accordance with ss. 581.217 and 581.218, and what is 717 customarily sold in a restaurant. Section 8. Section 569.006, Florida Statutes, is amended 718 719 to read: 720 569.006 Retail tobacco products dealers; administrative 721 penalties.-The division may suspend or revoke the permit of the 722 dealer upon sufficient cause appearing of the violation of any of the provisions of s. 581.217, s. 581.218, or this chapter, 723 724 including part II of this chapter if the dealer deals, at 725 retail, in nicotine products within the state or allows a

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726 nicotine products vending machine to be located on its premises 727 within the state, by a dealer or by a dealer's agent or 728 employee. The division may also assess and accept administrative 729 fines of up to \$1,000 against a dealer for each violation. The 730 division shall deposit all fines collected into the General 731 Revenue Fund as collected. An order imposing an administrative 732 fine becomes effective 15 days after the date of the order. The 733 division may suspend the imposition of a penalty against a 734 dealer, conditioned upon the dealer's compliance with terms the 735 division considers appropriate.

736 Section 9. Section 569.35, Florida Statutes, is amended to 737 read:

738 569.35 Retail nicotine product dealers; administrative 739 penalties.-The division may suspend or revoke the permit of a 740 dealer, including the retail tobacco products dealer permit of a 741 retail tobacco products dealer as defined in s. 569.002(4), upon 742 sufficient cause appearing of the violation of any of the 743 provisions of s. 581.217, s. 581.218, or this part, by a dealer, 744 or by a dealer's agent or employee. The division may also assess 745 and accept an administrative fine of up to \$1,000 against a 746 dealer for each violation. The division shall deposit all fines 747 collected into the General Revenue Fund as collected. An order imposing an administrative fine becomes effective 15 days after 748 the date of the order. The division may suspend the imposition 749 750 of a penalty against a dealer, conditioned upon the dealer's

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751 compliance with terms the division considers appropriate.

752 Section 10. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this753 act, this act shall take effect July 1, 2025.

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