

1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to threats from foreign nations;
3 creating s. 16.81, F.S.; providing legislative intent;
4 defining terms; prohibiting a person from acting as a
5 certain agent unless such person files a specified
6 statement with the Attorney General; requiring that
7 such person file such statement and any supplements
8 thereto with the Attorney General within a specified
9 timeframe; providing filing requirements; providing
10 requirements for the registration statement; requiring
11 an agent who has registered to periodically file
12 supplements with the Attorney General; providing
13 requirements for such supplements; requiring a
14 registrant to give a certain notice within a specified
15 timeframe; authorizing the Attorney General to require
16 supplements to be filed at more frequent intervals;
17 requiring that such statements and supplements be
18 executed under oath; specifying that certain filings
19 may be deemed not in compliance; providing that filing
20 specified statements and supplements does not preclude
21 prosecution under specified circumstances; authorizing
22 the Attorney General to allow incorporation of
23 information or documents by reference; exempting
24 certain agents from the requirement to register with
25 the Attorney General; requiring agents to file a

26 | specified number of copies of certain materials with
27 | the Attorney General within a certain timeframe;
28 | prohibiting an agent in this state from transmitting,
29 | through specified means, certain information unless
30 | such information contains a certain statement;
31 | providing that certain materials are subject to public
32 | inspection; prohibiting an agent from transmitting or
33 | conveying information to specified entities unless the
34 | agent includes a certain statement; requiring an agent
35 | to furnish the agent's registration statement to
36 | specified entities under specified conditions for
37 | inclusion in the entities' records; providing that
38 | such statements are included in the entities' records
39 | as part of the agent's testimony; requiring an agent
40 | to keep and maintain specified books of account and
41 | other records for a specified timeframe; requiring
42 | agents to maintain such books of account and other
43 | records in accordance with certain practices;
44 | providing that such books of account and other records
45 | are subject to inspection by certain officials;
46 | prohibiting agents from taking certain actions
47 | regarding such books of account and records; providing
48 | criminal and civil penalties; requiring the Attorney
49 | General to retain a specified number of copies of all
50 | registration statements in a specified manner;

51 requiring the Attorney General to transmit
52 registration statements and supplements to the United
53 States Secretary of State upon receipt; providing that
54 the failure of the Attorney General to transmit such
55 registration statements and supplements is not a bar
56 to prosecution; authorizing the Attorney General to
57 furnish specified information to certain entities;
58 requiring the Attorney General to periodically submit
59 a certain report to the Legislature, beginning on a
60 specified date; requiring the Attorney General to
61 report monthly on the Office of the Attorney General's
62 publicly available website certain information;
63 requiring certain officers and directors to comply
64 with specified requirements; providing that
65 dissolution of certain organizations does not relieve
66 their officers and directors of specified
67 requirements; providing criminal penalties for willful
68 violations of specified provisions; providing that
69 agents who willfully violate specified provisions must
70 be expelled from and prohibited from entering any
71 campus of this state; requiring the State University
72 System and the Florida College System to adopt
73 specified rules; providing that proof of the specific
74 identity of a specified foreign principal is
75 permissible but not necessary in certain proceedings;

76 requiring that certain aliens be referred to the
77 Department of Justice for removal proceedings;
78 providing that a failure to file specified statements
79 is a continuing offense as long as the failure
80 persists; authorizing the Attorney General to apply to
81 the courts to enjoin the actions of specified persons;
82 providing that the state court has jurisdiction and
83 authority to issue certain orders; requiring the
84 Attorney General to notify a registrant in writing
85 after making a certain determination; prohibiting a
86 person from acting as a certain agent within a
87 specified timeframe after receiving such notice unless
88 certain conditions exist; prohibiting an agent from
89 entering into a contract that is contingent upon the
90 success of any political activity; requiring state
91 employees to annually submit a certain affidavit;
92 providing that specified students or employees who
93 willfully violate specified provisions must be
94 expelled from and prohibited from entering any
95 institution of higher education; requiring the State
96 University System and the Florida College System to
97 adopt a specified policy; requiring institutions of
98 higher education to develop a specified reporting
99 mechanism; requiring certain active businesses and
100 nonprofits to file a specified form; requiring the

101 Secretary of State to provide such form; requiring the
102 Attorney General to provide specified information on
103 the Office of the Attorney General's publicly
104 available website; authorizing the Attorney General to
105 exchange certain information with specified entities;
106 providing for retroactive application; requiring
107 specified persons to file registration statements for
108 a specified timeframe; authorizing the Attorney
109 General to adopt rules; creating s. 287.1381, F.S.;
110 providing a short title; providing legislative
111 purpose; defining terms; prohibiting certain companies
112 and entities from entering into agreements relating to
113 critical infrastructure with foreign principals;
114 prohibiting governmental entities from entering into
115 contracts or other agreements relating to critical
116 infrastructure with certain companies; providing
117 exceptions; requiring companies to register with the
118 Department of Management Services to access critical
119 infrastructure; requiring companies to perform
120 specified actions to remain registered with the
121 department; requiring the department to provide
122 certificates to such companies; authorizing the
123 revocation of such certificates under specified
124 circumstances; requiring companies to notify the
125 department under specified conditions; authorizing the

126 department to conduct a certain investigation within a
127 specified timeframe; requiring the Attorney General on
128 behalf of the department to file a request for an
129 injunction with the Supreme Court under certain
130 conditions; requiring that the Supreme Court issue a
131 certain order; requiring the department to notify
132 critical infrastructure entities of known or suspected
133 cyberthreats, vulnerabilities, and adversarial
134 activities in a specified manner; prohibiting the
135 state from using specified software; providing that if
136 any such software is being used, it must be removed
137 and replaced with compliant software; providing that
138 companies that remove and replace such software are
139 not required to obtain additional permits to do so;
140 prohibiting governmental entities and critical
141 infrastructure providers from entering into or
142 renewing certain contracts beginning on a specified
143 date; requiring the department to create certain
144 public listings; creating s. 287.1382, F.S.; providing
145 a short title; providing legislative purpose; defining
146 terms; requiring critical communications
147 infrastructure to have all prohibited equipment
148 removed and replaced; providing that companies
149 engaging in such replacement and removal do not need
150 additional permits; requiring communications providers

151 to file a certain attestation annually with the
152 department; providing civil penalties for late filing
153 of such attestations; requiring such companies to
154 provide the department with information related to a
155 person with managerial responsibilities in this state;
156 requiring communications providers to engage in
157 specified actions; providing administrative penalties
158 for communications providers that violate specified
159 provisions; providing administrative fines for
160 communications providers that submit false
161 attestations or certifications; prohibiting specified
162 communications providers from receiving certain funds;
163 requiring the department to develop and publish
164 quarterly a certain map; specifying requirements for
165 such map; creating s. 943.0315, F.S.; providing a
166 short title; providing legislative intent and policy;
167 defining terms; requiring the Chief of Domestic
168 Security to annually produce and publish a certain
169 risk assessment; requiring that the risk assessment
170 include specified information; creating the Council on
171 Pacific Conflict; requiring the Department of Law
172 Enforcement to provide administrative support;
173 providing for the composition, membership, and
174 appointments of the council; providing that members of
175 the council are entitled to per diem and travel

176 reimbursement; requiring that members be appointed by
177 a specified date; requiring that the first meeting be
178 held by a specified date and at least quarterly
179 thereafter; authorizing the chair of the council to
180 call for a meeting at any time; authorizing the
181 council to retain external advisors for certain
182 purposes; providing that such advisors may not be
183 compensated, but may be reimbursed for per diem and
184 travel expenses; requiring the council to prepare a
185 specified annual report; authorizing the council to
186 perform specified actions; requiring the council to
187 engage with the Division of Emergency Management to
188 apply for a certain grant; requiring the Secretary of
189 Management Services to conduct a supply chain audit
190 and submit a report of such audit to the Governor and
191 the Legislature by a specified date; specifying
192 requirements for the supply chain audit report;
193 requiring the Governor to provide a summary report to
194 the Legislature and the public; prohibiting the
195 inclusion of specified information in the report;
196 requiring the Chief of Domestic Security to lead a
197 specified study, coordinate the research, and develop
198 a report of the study; requiring the Chief of Domestic
199 Security to identify certain critical infrastructure
200 and assets; requiring the Chief of Domestic Security

201 to apply consistent, objective criteria when making
 202 such identifications; requiring the Chief of Domestic
 203 Security to produce a certain report by a specified
 204 date; requiring that the report include specified
 205 information; requiring the Chief of Domestic Security
 206 to coordinate with specified entities to produce the
 207 report; requiring state agencies to provide the Chief
 208 of Domestic Security with specified information;
 209 requiring the Chief of Domestic Security to develop a
 210 process for stakeholders to submit certain
 211 information; authorizing the Chief of Domestic
 212 Security to coordinate with specified entities;
 213 requiring the Chief of Domestic Security to notify
 214 certain owners and operators of a certain
 215 identification; requiring that such notice include
 216 specified information; amending ss. 943.03 and
 217 943.0311, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made
 218 by the act; providing a contingent effective date.

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 220 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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222 **Section 1. Section 16.81, Florida Statutes, is created to**
 223 **read:**

224 16.81 State Foreign Adversary Registration Act.—
 225 (1) LEGISLATIVE INTENT.—It is the intent of the

226 Legislature to provide public transparency for the political and
227 propaganda activities and influence operations conducted in this
228 state by agents of adversarial nations and foreign terrorist
229 organizations.

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

231 (a) "Adversarial nation" means a country listed in 15
232 C.F.R. s. 7.4(a).

233 (b)1. "Agent of a foreign principal" means:

234 a. A person who acts as an agent, a representative, an
235 employee, or a servant, or in any other capacity, at the order
236 or request or under the direction or control of a foreign
237 principal or a person whose activities are directly or
238 indirectly supervised, directed, controlled, financed, or
239 subsidized in whole or in part by a foreign principal, and who
240 directly or through any other person:

241 (I) Engages in political activities in this state for or
242 in the interests of such foreign principal;

243 (II) Acts as a public relations counsel, a publicity
244 agent, an information service employee, or a political
245 consultant in this state for or in the interests of such foreign
246 principal;

247 (III) Collects, disburses, or dispenses any contribution,
248 loan, money, or other thing of value in this state for or in the
249 interest of such foreign principal; or

250 (IV) Represents the interests of such foreign principal

251 before any agency or official of this state or any of its
252 political subdivisions; and

253 b. A person who agrees, consents, assumes, or purports to
254 act as, or who is or holds himself or herself out to be, whether
255 pursuant to a contractual relationship or not, an agent of a
256 foreign principal as defined in sub-subparagraph a.

257 2. The term does not include a news or press service or
258 association organized under the laws of the United States or of
259 any state or other place subject to the jurisdiction of the
260 United States, or a newspaper, magazine, periodical, or other
261 publication for which there is on file with the United States
262 Postal Service information in compliance with 39 U.S.C. s. 3685,
263 solely by virtue of any bona fide news or journalistic
264 activities, including the solicitation or acceptance of
265 advertisements, subscriptions, or other compensation therefor,
266 so long as it is at least 80 percent beneficially owned by
267 citizens of the United States and its officers and directors, if
268 any, are citizens of the United States, and such news or press
269 service or association, newspaper, magazine, periodical, or
270 other publication is not owned, directed, supervised,
271 controlled, subsidized, or financed, and none of its policies
272 are determined, by any foreign principal, or by an agent of a
273 foreign principal, required to register under this section.

274 (c) "Foreign political party" means an organization or any
275 other combination of individuals in a country other than the

276 United States, or any of the United States' political
277 subdivisions, having for an aim or purpose, or which is engaged
278 in any activity devoted in whole or in part to, the
279 establishment, administration, or control, or acquisition of
280 administration or control, of a government of a foreign country
281 or any of its political subdivisions, or the furtherance or
282 influencing of the political or public interests, policies, or
283 relations of a government of a foreign country or any of its
284 political subdivisions.

285 (d) "Foreign principal" means:

286 1. A government of a foreign country or a foreign
287 political party;

288 2. A person outside the United States, unless it is
289 established that the person is an individual and is a citizen of
290 and domiciled within the United States, or that the person is
291 not an individual and is organized under or created by the laws
292 of the United States or any state or other place subject to the
293 jurisdiction of the United States and has its principal place of
294 business within the United States;

295 3. A partnership, an association, a corporation, an
296 organization, or other combination of persons organized under
297 the laws of or having its principal place of business in a
298 foreign country;

299 4. A partnership, an association, a corporation, an
300 organization, or other combination of persons which is at least

301 20 percent beneficially owned by a partnership, an association,
302 a corporation, an organization, or other combination of persons
303 organized under the laws of or having its principal place of
304 business in a foreign country; or

305 5. A foreign terrorist organization.

306 (e) "Foreign terrorist organization" means any
307 organization on the United States Department of State's list of
308 Designated Foreign Terrorist Organizations.

309 (f) "Government of a foreign country" means a person or
310 group of persons exercising sovereign de facto or de jure
311 political jurisdiction over a country other than the United
312 States, or over any part of such country, and includes any
313 subdivision of any such group and any group or agency to which
314 such sovereign de facto or de jure authority or functions are
315 directly or indirectly delegated. The term includes any faction
316 or body of insurgents within a country assuming to exercise
317 governmental authority, regardless of whether such faction or
318 body of insurgents has or has not been recognized by the United
319 States.

320 (g) "Information service employee" means a person who
321 furnishes, disseminates, or publishes accounts, descriptions,
322 information, or data with respect to the political, industrial,
323 employment, economic, social, cultural, or other benefits,
324 advantages, facts, or conditions of any country other than the
325 United States or of any government of a foreign country or of a

326 foreign political party or of a partnership, an association, a
327 corporation, an organization, or other combination of
328 individuals organized under the laws of, or having its principal
329 place of business in, a foreign country.

330 (h) "Political activities" means any activities that the
331 person engaging in believes will, or that are intended to in any
332 way, influence an agency or official of this state or any of its
333 political subdivisions, or any section of the public within this
334 state, with reference to formulating, adopting, or changing the
335 domestic or foreign policies of the United States or of this
336 state with reference to the political or public interests,
337 policies, or relations of a government of a foreign country or a
338 foreign political party.

339 (i) "Political consultant" means a person who informs or
340 advises any other person or entity with reference to the
341 policies of the United States or this state or the political or
342 public interests, policies, or relations of a foreign country or
343 of a foreign political party.

344 (j) "Print" means any newspaper, periodical, book,
345 pamphlet, sheet music, visiting card, address card, printing
346 proof, engraving, photograph, picture, drawing, plan, map,
347 pattern to be cut out, catalog, prospectus, or advertisement;
348 any printed, engraved, lithographed, or autographed notice of
349 various kinds; and, in general, any impression or reproduction
350 obtained on paper or other material assimilable to paper, on

351 parchment or on cardboard, by means of printing, engraving,
352 lithography, autography, or any other easily recognizable
353 mechanical process, with the exception of the copying press,
354 stamps with movable or immovable type, and the typewriter.

355 (k) "Public relations counsel" means a person who directly
356 or indirectly informs, advises, or in any way represents a
357 principal in any public relations matter pertaining to political
358 or public interests, policies, or relations of such principal.

359 (l) "Publicity agent" means a person who directly or
360 indirectly publishes or disseminates oral, visual, graphic,
361 written, or pictorial information or matter of any kind,
362 including publication by means of advertising, books,
363 periodicals, newspapers, lectures, broadcasts, motion pictures,
364 or otherwise.

365 (m) "Registration statement" means the registration
366 statement and any supplements thereto required to be filed with
367 the Attorney General under subsection (3) or subsection (4), and
368 includes all documents and papers required to be filed, whether
369 attached to or incorporated by reference.

370 (3) REQUIREMENTS TO REGISTER AS A FOREIGN AGENT IN THIS
371 STATE.—

372 (a) In order to act as an agent of a foreign principal
373 from an adversarial nation or a foreign terrorist organization,
374 a person must file with the Attorney General a true and complete
375 registration statement and any supplements thereto as required

376 by this paragraph or paragraph (b) unless the person is exempt
377 from registration under subsection (4). Except as otherwise
378 provided, any person who becomes an agent of a foreign principal
379 from an adversarial nation or a foreign terrorist organization
380 must, within 10 days after becoming such agent, file with the
381 Attorney General, in duplicate, a registration statement under
382 oath on a form prescribed by the Attorney General. Such person
383 must file a registration statement for the period during which
384 the person was such an agent, even if the termination of the
385 person's status occurred before the end of the reporting period.
386 The registration statement must include all of the following
387 information, which must be regarded as material fact for the
388 purposes of this subsection:

389 1. The registrant's name, principal business address, any
390 other business addresses in the United States or elsewhere, and
391 all residence addresses, if any.

392 2. The immigration status of the registrant; if an
393 individual, the registrant's nationality; if a partnership, the
394 name, residence addresses, and nationality of each partner and a
395 true and complete copy of the partnership agreement; if an
396 association, a corporation, an organization, or any other
397 combination of individuals, the name, residence addresses, and
398 nationality of each director and officer and of each person
399 performing the functions of a director or officer and a true and
400 complete copy of the charter, articles of incorporation,

401 articles of association, constitution, and bylaws, and
402 amendments thereto; a copy of any other instrument or document
403 and a statement of the terms and conditions of any oral
404 agreement relating to organization, powers, and purposes; and a
405 statement of ownership and control.

406 3. A comprehensive statement of the nature of the
407 registrant's business; a complete list of the registrant's
408 employees and a statement outlining the nature of the work of
409 each employee; the name and address of any foreign principal
410 from an adversarial nation or a foreign terrorist organization
411 for whom the registrant is acting, assuming or purporting to
412 act, or has agreed to act; the character of the business or
413 other activities of any such foreign principal from an
414 adversarial nation or a foreign terrorist organization, and, if
415 any such foreign principal from an adversarial nation or a
416 foreign terrorist organization is not an individual, a statement
417 of the ownership and control of each; and the extent, if any, to
418 which each such foreign principal from an adversarial nation or
419 a foreign terrorist organization is supervised, directed, owned,
420 controlled, financed, or subsidized, in whole or in part, by any
421 government of a foreign country or foreign political party, or
422 by any other foreign principal from an adversarial nation or a
423 foreign terrorist organization.

424 4. Copies of each written agreement and the terms and
425 conditions of each oral agreement, including all modifications

426 of such agreements, or, if a contract does not exist, a full
427 statement of all the circumstances that indicate the registrant
428 is an agent of a foreign principal from an adversarial nation or
429 a foreign terrorist organization; a comprehensive statement of
430 the nature and method of performance of each such contract, and
431 of the existing and proposed activity or activities engaged in
432 or to be engaged in by the registrant as agent of a foreign
433 principal from an adversarial nation or a foreign terrorist
434 organization for each such foreign principal from an adversarial
435 nation or a foreign terrorist organization, including a detailed
436 statement of any such activity that is a political activity.

437 5. The nature and dollar amount of contributions, income,
438 money, or thing of value, if any, that the registrant has
439 received within the preceding 180 days from each such foreign
440 principal from an adversarial nation or a foreign terrorist
441 organization, either as compensation or for disbursement or
442 otherwise, and the form and time of each such payment and from
443 whom it was received.

444 6. A detailed statement of any activity that the
445 registrant performs or assumes or purports or has agreed to
446 perform for himself or herself or any other person other than a
447 foreign principal from an adversarial nation or a foreign
448 terrorist organization and that requires his or her registration
449 pursuant to this section, including a detailed statement of any
450 such activity that is a political activity.

451 7. The name, business, and residence addresses, and if an
452 individual, the nationality, of any person other than a foreign
453 principal from an adversarial nation or a foreign terrorist
454 organization for whom the registrant acts, assumes or purports
455 to act, or has agreed to act under such circumstances which
456 require the registrant to register pursuant to this section; the
457 extent to which each such person is supervised, directed, owned,
458 controlled, financed, or subsidized, in whole or in part, by any
459 government of a foreign country or foreign political party or by
460 any other foreign principal from an adversarial nation or a
461 foreign terrorist organization; and the nature and amount of
462 contributions, income, money, or thing of value, if any, that
463 the registrant has received during the preceding 180 days from
464 each such person in connection with any of the activities listed
465 in subparagraph 6., either as compensation or for disbursement
466 or otherwise, and the form and time of each such payment and
467 from whom it was received.

468 8. A detailed statement of the money and other things of
469 value spent or disposed of by the registrant during the
470 preceding 180 days in furtherance of or in connection with
471 activities that require registration pursuant to this section
472 and that have been undertaken by the registrant either as an
473 agent of a foreign principal from an adversarial nation or a
474 foreign terrorist organization or for the registrant or any
475 other person or in connection with any activities relating to

476 the registrant becoming an agent of such foreign principal from
477 an adversarial nation or a foreign terrorist organization, and a
478 detailed statement of any contributions of money or other things
479 of value made by the registrant during the preceding 180 days,
480 other than contributions the making of which is prohibited under
481 52 U.S.C. s. 30121 and s. 106.08(12), in connection with an
482 election to any political office or in connection with any
483 primary election, convention, or caucus held to select
484 candidates for any political office.

485 9. Copies of any written agreement and the terms and
486 conditions of any oral agreement, including all modifications of
487 such agreements, or, if a contract does not exist, a full
488 statement of all the circumstances, by reason of which the
489 registrant performs or assumes or purports or has agreed to
490 perform for a foreign principal from an adversarial nation or a
491 foreign terrorist organization or, for any person other than a
492 foreign principal from an adversarial nation or a foreign
493 terrorist organization, any activities that require the
494 registrant to register pursuant to this section.

495 10. Other statements, information, or documents pertinent
496 to this section, as the Attorney General may require, relating
497 to national security and the public interest.

498 11. Any additional statements and copies of documents that
499 are necessary to ensure the statements made in the registration
500 statement and supplements thereto, and the copies of documents

501 furnished, are not misleading.

502 (b)1. An agent of a foreign principal from an adversarial
503 nation or a foreign terrorist organization who has filed a
504 registration statement as required by paragraph (a) shall,
505 within 30 days after the expiration of each 6-month period after
506 such filing, file with the Attorney General a supplement under
507 oath, on a form prescribed by the Attorney General, which sets
508 forth, with respect to such preceding 6-month period, those
509 facts deemed necessary by the Attorney General, in the interests
510 of national security and the public interest, to maintain the
511 accuracy, completeness, and currentness of the information
512 required under this section.

513 2. In connection with the information furnished under
514 subparagraph (a)3., subparagraph (a)4., subparagraph (a)6., or
515 subparagraph (a)9., the registrant must give notice to the
516 Attorney General of any change within 10 days after the change
517 occurs. The Attorney General may require that supplements to the
518 registration statement be filed at more frequent intervals,
519 which filings may include any information to be furnished under
520 this section.

521 (c)1. If the registrant is an individual, the registrant
522 must execute the registration statement and any supplements
523 under oath.

524 2. If the registrant is a partnership, the majority of the
525 members of such partnership must execute the registration

526 statement and any supplements under oath.

527 3. If the registrant is another entity that is not an
528 individual or a partnership, the majority of the officers of
529 such entity or individuals performing the functions of officers
530 or a majority of the board of directors of such entity must
531 execute the registration statement and any supplements under
532 oath.

533 (d) The filing of a registration statement or a supplement
534 by a registrant pursuant to this section may be deemed not to be
535 in compliance with this section. The Attorney General's
536 acceptance of such filing is not an indication that the Attorney
537 General has passed upon the merits of the registration statement
538 or the supplement. The late filing of the registration statement
539 and any supplements does not preclude prosecution under this
540 section for willfully failing to file a registration statement
541 or a supplement when due or for willfully filing a false
542 statement of a material fact or for willfully omitting a
543 material fact or a copy of material documents necessary to make
544 the statements in the registration statement or supplements
545 required by this section.

546 (e) The Attorney General may allow an agent of a foreign
547 principal from an adversarial nation or a foreign terrorist
548 organization who is required to register pursuant to this
549 section and has previously registered with the Attorney General
550 pursuant to this section to incorporate by reference any

551 information or documents previously filed by such agent in the
552 registration statement or supplements required by this section.

553 (4) EXEMPTIONS.—Subsection (3) does not apply to the
554 following agents of foreign principals:

555 (a) A duly accredited diplomatic or consular officer of a
556 foreign government who is recognized by the United States
557 Department of State, while the officer is engaged exclusively in
558 activities recognized by the United States Department of State
559 as being within the scope of the officer's functions;

560 (b) Any official of a foreign government, if the
561 government is recognized by the United States, who is not a
562 public relations counsel, a publicity agent, an information
563 service employee, or a citizen of the United States, and whose
564 name and status and the character of whose duties as such
565 official are of public record with the United States Department
566 of State, while such official is engaged exclusively in
567 activities that are recognized by the Department of State as
568 being within the scope of such official's functions;

569 (c) Any member of the staff of, or any individual employed
570 by, a duly accredited diplomatic or consular officer of a
571 foreign government who is recognized by the United States
572 Department of State, other than a public relations counsel, a
573 publicity agent, or an information service employee, whose name
574 and status and the character of whose duties as such member or
575 employee are of public record with the United States Department

576 of State, while such member or employee is engaged exclusively
577 in the performance of activities that are recognized by the
578 United States Department of State as being within the scope of
579 such member's or employee's functions; or

580 (d) Any individual qualified to practice law in this
581 state, insofar as he or she engages or agrees to engage in the
582 legal representation of a disclosed foreign principal from an
583 adversarial nation or a foreign terrorist organization before
584 any court of law in this state or any political subdivision of
585 this state. For the purposes of this section, legal
586 representation does not include attempts to influence or
587 persuade agency personnel or officials other than in the course
588 of judicial proceedings, criminal or civil law enforcement
589 inquiries, investigations, or proceedings, or agency proceedings
590 required by statute or regulation to be conducted on the record.

591 (5) FILING AND LABELING OF INFORMATIONAL MATERIALS.—

592 (a) Any person within this state who is an agent of a
593 foreign principal from an adversarial nation or a foreign
594 terrorist organization and who is required to register pursuant
595 to this section and who transmits or causes to be transmitted in
596 the United States mail, through digital communication, or by any
597 means or instrumentality of interstate or foreign commerce any
598 informational materials for or in the interests of such foreign
599 principal from an adversarial nation or a foreign terrorist
600 organization in print or in any other form that is reasonably

601 adapted to being, or which the agent believes will be or intends
602 to be, disseminated or circulated among two or more persons must
603 file with the Attorney General two copies of such materials no
604 later than 48 hours after the transmission.

605 (b) It is unlawful for a person within this state who is
606 an agent of a foreign principal from an adversarial nation or a
607 foreign terrorist organization and who is required to register
608 pursuant to this section to transmit or cause to be transmitted
609 in the United States mail, through digital communication, or by
610 any means or instrumentality of interstate or foreign commerce
611 any informational materials for or in the interests of such
612 foreign principal from an adversarial nation or a foreign
613 terrorist organization without placing in such informational
614 materials a conspicuous statement that the materials are
615 distributed by the agent on behalf of the foreign principal from
616 an adversarial nation or a foreign terrorist organization, and
617 that additional information is on file with the Attorney
618 General. The Attorney General may adopt rules to implement this
619 paragraph.

620 (c) The copies of informational materials required to be
621 filed with the Attorney General must be available for public
622 inspection under s. 24, Art. I of the State Constitution and
623 chapter 119.

624 (d) It is unlawful for a person within this state who is
625 an agent of a foreign principal from an adversarial nation or a

626 foreign terrorist organization and who is required to register
627 pursuant to this section to transmit, convey, or otherwise
628 furnish to any agency or official of this state or its political
629 subdivisions, including a member or committee of the House of
630 Representatives or the Senate or a member or committee of
631 another political subdivision, for or in the interests of such
632 foreign principal from an adversarial nation or a foreign
633 terrorist organization, any political propaganda, or to request
634 from any such agency or official for or in the interests of such
635 foreign principal from an adversarial nation or a foreign
636 terrorist organization any information or advice with respect to
637 any matter pertaining to the political or public interests,
638 policies, or relations of an adversarial nation or a foreign
639 terrorist organization or of a political party from an
640 adversarial nation or a foreign terrorist organization or
641 pertaining to the foreign or domestic policies of the United
642 States or of this state unless the propaganda or the request is
643 prefaced or accompanied by a true and accurate statement to the
644 effect that such person is registered as an agent of such
645 foreign principal from an adversarial nation or a foreign
646 terrorist organization pursuant to this section.

647 (e) If any agent of a foreign principal from an
648 adversarial nation or a foreign terrorist organization required
649 to register under this section appears before any committee of
650 the Legislature or the governing body of a county or a

651 municipality to testify for or in the interests of such foreign
652 principal from an adversarial nation or a foreign terrorist
653 organization, the agent must, at the time of such appearance,
654 furnish the committee or governing body with a copy of the
655 agent's most recent registration statement filed with the
656 Attorney General for inclusion in the records of the committee
657 or governing body as part of the agent's testimony.

658 (6) MAINTENANCE OF BOOKS AND RECORDS.—An agent of a
659 foreign principal from an adversarial nation or a foreign
660 terrorist organization registered pursuant to this section must,
661 while an agent of a foreign principal from an adversarial nation
662 or a foreign terrorist organization, keep and maintain books of
663 account and other records regarding all of the agent's
664 activities, the disclosure of which is required pursuant to this
665 section. Such agent shall maintain such books of account and
666 other records for 3 years after the person is no longer
667 registered as an agent as required by this section.

668 (a)1. The agent shall maintain such books of account and
669 other records in accordance with standard business and
670 accounting practices.

671 2. The Attorney General may adopt rules to implement this
672 paragraph.

673 (b) Any agent of a foreign principal from an adversarial
674 nation or a foreign terrorist organization must keep and
675 maintain books of account and preserve all written records with

676 respect to the person's activities. Such books and records must
677 be open at all reasonable times to inspection by any official
678 charged with the enforcement of this section.

679 (c) It is unlawful for any person to willfully conceal,
680 destroy, obliterate, mutilate, or falsify, or to attempt to
681 conceal, destroy, obliterate, mutilate, or falsify, or to cause
682 to be concealed, destroyed, obliterated, mutilated, or
683 falsified, any books or records required to be kept or
684 maintained under this subsection.

685 (d) A person who violates this subsection commits a
686 misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s.
687 775.082 or s. 775.083, or punishable by a fine of not more than
688 \$50,000, or both.

689 (7) PUBLIC TRANSPARENCY AND EXAMINATION OF OFFICIAL
690 RECORDS.—

691 (a) The Attorney General shall retain one copy of all
692 registration statements furnished under this section which are
693 public records and open to public examination and inspection as
694 required under s. 24, Art. I of the State Constitution and
695 chapter 119.

696 (b) The Attorney General shall, promptly upon receipt,
697 transmit one copy of any registration statement and any
698 amendments or supplements to the United States Secretary of
699 State. Failure of the Attorney General to transmit a copy is not
700 a bar to prosecution under this section.

701 (c) The Attorney General may furnish to any department or
702 agency or committee of the Legislature any information obtained
703 in the administration of this section.

704 (d) Beginning January 1, 2026, and every 6 months
705 thereafter, the Attorney General shall submit a report to the
706 President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of
707 Representatives. The report must include information detailing
708 the Attorney General's administration of this section,
709 including, but not limited to, registrations filed pursuant to
710 this section and the nature, sources, and content of political
711 propaganda disseminated and distributed.

712 (e) The Attorney General shall report monthly on the
713 Office of the Attorney General's publicly available website
714 information related to the administration of this section,
715 including registrations filed and the nature, sources, and
716 content of political propaganda disseminated and distributed.

717 (8) LIABILITY OF OFFICERS.—An officer or an individual
718 performing the functions of an officer or a director or an
719 individual performing the functions of a director of an agent of
720 a foreign principal from an adversarial nation or a foreign
721 terrorist organization, which agent is not an individual, shall
722 comply with the requirements of this section. Dissolution of any
723 organization acting as an agent of a foreign principal from an
724 adversarial nation or a foreign terrorist organization does not
725 relieve any officer or individual performing the functions of an

726 officer or any director or individual performing the functions
727 of a director from the requirement to comply with this section.
728 If such an agent fails to comply with the requirements of this
729 section, each of the agent's officers or persons performing the
730 functions of officers or each of the agent's directors or
731 persons performing the functions of directors may be prosecuted.

732 (9) ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES.—

733 (a) Except as provided in subsection (6) or paragraph (h),
734 a person who:

735 1. Willfully violates this section or any rule adopted
736 under this section commits a felony of the third degree,
737 punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084,
738 or punishable by a fine of not more than \$100,000, or both; or

739 2. In any registration statement, supplement, or other
740 document filed with or furnished to the Attorney General under
741 this section, willfully makes a false statement of a material
742 fact, willfully omits any material fact required to be stated,
743 or willfully omits a material fact or a copy of a material
744 document necessary to ensure that the statements and the copies
745 of documents furnished are not misleading commits a felony of
746 the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s.
747 775.083, or s. 775.084, or punishable by a fine of not more than
748 \$100,000, or both.

749 (b) A person who is a student, a faculty member, a
750 researcher, an adjunct professor, or otherwise employed by or

751 associated with the State University System or Florida College
752 System and who:

753 1. Willfully violates this section or any rules adopted by
754 the Attorney General, upon conviction, must be expelled or
755 dismissed from any role with an institution of higher education
756 in this state and must be prohibited from entering any campus in
757 this state; or

758 2. In any registration statement or supplement thereto or
759 any other document filed with or furnished to the Attorney
760 General pursuant to this section, willfully makes a false
761 statement of a material fact, willfully omits any material fact
762 required to be stated in the registration statement, or
763 furnishes misleading supplements or copies of documents, upon
764 conviction, must be expelled or dismissed from any role with an
765 institution of higher education in this state and must be
766 prohibited from entering any campus in this state.

767 (c) Each institution in the State University System or the
768 Florida College System shall adopt rules for permanent expulsion
769 and dismissal of an individual found in violation of this
770 section.

771 (d) In any proceeding under this section in which a person
772 is charged with being an agent of a foreign principal from an
773 adversarial nation or a foreign terrorist organization with
774 respect to a foreign principal outside of the United States,
775 proof of the specific identity of the foreign principal from an

776 adversarial nation or a foreign terrorist organization is
777 permissible but is not necessary.

778 (e) Any alien who is convicted of a violation of, or a
779 conspiracy to violate, any provision of this section or any rule
780 adopted under this section must be referred to the United States
781 Department of Justice for removal pursuant to the Immigration
782 and Nationality Act.

783 (f) Notwithstanding any other law, failure to file the
784 registration statement or any supplement as required by
785 paragraph (3)(a) or paragraph (3)(b) is considered a continuing
786 offense for as long as such failure persists.

787 (g) If a person is engaged in or about to engage in any
788 acts that constitute or will constitute a violation of this
789 section or rules adopted under this section, or if any agent of
790 a foreign principal from an adversarial nation or a foreign
791 terrorist organization fails to comply with this section or any
792 rules adopted under this section, the Attorney General may apply
793 to the appropriate state court for an order enjoining such acts
794 or enjoining such person from continuing to act as an agent of a
795 foreign principal from an adversarial nation or a foreign
796 terrorist organization, or may apply for an order requiring
797 compliance with this section or any rules adopted under this
798 section. The state court has jurisdiction and the authority to
799 issue a temporary or permanent injunction, restraining order, or
800 other such order.

801 (h) If the Attorney General determines that a registration
802 statement does not comply with the requirements of this section
803 or any rules adopted under this section, he or she must notify
804 the registrant in writing, specifying how the statement is
805 deficient. It is unlawful for any person to act as an agent of a
806 foreign principal from an adversarial nation or a foreign
807 terrorist organization at any time 10 days or more after receipt
808 of such notification without filing an amended registration
809 statement in full compliance with the requirements imposed by
810 this section. A person who violates this paragraph commits a
811 misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s.
812 775.082 or s. 775.083, or punishable by a fine of not more than
813 \$50,000, or both.

814 (i) It is unlawful for an agent of a foreign principal
815 from an adversarial nation or a foreign terrorist organization
816 required to register under this section to be a party to any
817 contract, agreement, or understanding, either express or
818 implied, with the foreign principal from an adversarial nation
819 or a foreign terrorist organization pursuant to which the amount
820 or payment of the compensation, fee, or other remuneration of
821 the agent is contingent in whole or in part upon the success of
822 any political activities carried out by the agent.

823 (10) ATTESTATIONS FOR STATE INSTITUTIONS AND BUSINESSES.-

824 (a) Annually, an employee of this state shall submit a
825 signed affidavit to his or her employer attesting that the

826 employee is not an agent of a foreign principal from an
827 adversarial nation or a foreign terrorist organization.

828 (b) A person who is a student, a faculty member, a
829 researcher, or an adjunct professor or who is otherwise employed
830 by or associated with the State University System or the Florida
831 College System and who willfully violates this section, makes a
832 false statement of material fact, or willfully omits any
833 material fact required to be stated in any registration
834 statement or supplement pursuant to this section or in any other
835 document filed with the Attorney General's office must be
836 permanently expelled and dismissed from any role with the
837 institution of higher education in this state and must be
838 prohibited from entering any institution of higher education's
839 campus in this state. Each institution of the State University
840 System and the Florida College System shall adopt a policy for
841 the expulsion or dismissal of any individual who has violated
842 this section.

843 (c) Each institution of higher education in this state
844 shall develop a reporting mechanism for students who are former
845 citizens of an adversarial nation or who are dissidents against
846 or critics of an adversarial nation or a foreign terrorist
847 organization and who are being harassed by an agent of a foreign
848 principal from an adversarial nation or a foreign terrorist
849 organization to file a report with the institution of higher
850 education describing the harassment.

851 (d) An active business or a nonprofit operating within
852 this state shall attest in writing that such business or
853 nonprofit is cognizant of and in compliance with this section.
854 The Secretary of State shall provide a simple 1-page attestation
855 form for all businesses and nonprofits operating within this
856 state to attest to their compliance with this section.

857 (11) DATA SHARING AND PUBLIC TRANSPARENCY.—

858 (a) In order to increase public transparency, the Attorney
859 General shall provide information about the registrant,
860 including, but not limited to, the registration statement and
861 activities of the agent, on the Office of the Attorney General's
862 publicly available website.

863 (b) The Attorney General may exchange information
864 collected pursuant to this section with government officials of
865 other states to increase the transparency and registration
866 compliance of agents of foreign principals from adversarial
867 nations or foreign terrorist organizations which operate in
868 multiple states.

869 (12) APPLICATION.—The requirements of this section are
870 retroactive for any person who acted as an agent of a foreign
871 principal from an adversarial nation or a foreign terrorist
872 organization at any time after January 1, 2019. Such person
873 shall file with the Attorney General a registration statement
874 and any supplements as required by subsection (3) for any
875 activities occurring between January 1, 2019, and July 1, 2025.

876 (13) RULEMAKING.—The Attorney General may adopt rules to
877 administer this section.

878 **Section 2. Section 287.1381, Florida Statutes, is created**
879 **to read:**

880 287.1381 Florida Critical Infrastructure Protection Act.—

881 (1) SHORT TITLE.—This section may be cited as the "Florida
882 Critical Infrastructure Protection Act."

883 (2) PURPOSE.—The purpose of this section is to protect
884 this state's critical infrastructure by prohibiting foreign
885 adversaries from accessing state critical infrastructure, by
886 assessing Florida's vulnerability to sanctioned communication
887 equipment, and by prohibiting the use of adversary cameras and
888 laser sensor technologies in this state's transportation
889 systems.

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

891 (a) "Company" means nonprofit organization or a for-profit
892 sole proprietorship, organization, association, corporation,
893 partnership, joint venture, limited partnership, limited
894 liability partnership, or limited liability company, including a
895 wholly owned subsidiary, a majority-owned subsidiary, a parent
896 company, or an affiliate of those entities or business
897 associations.

898 (b) "Country of concern" has the same meaning as the term
899 "foreign country of concern" in s. 286.101.

900 (c) "Critical infrastructure" means systems and assets,

901 whether physical or virtual, so vital to this state or the
902 country that the incapacity or destruction of such systems and
903 assets would have a debilitating impact on state or national
904 security, state or national economic security, state or national
905 public health, or any combination thereof. Critical
906 infrastructure may be publicly or privately owned and includes,
907 but is not limited to:

- 908 1. Gas and oil production, storage, or delivery systems.
- 909 2. Water supply, treatment, storage, or delivery systems.
- 910 3. Telecommunications networks.
- 911 4. Electrical power delivery systems.
- 912 5. Emergency services.
- 913 6. Transportation systems and services.
- 914 7. Personal data or other classified information storage
915 systems, including cybersecurity.

916 (d) "Cybersecurity" means the measures taken to protect a
917 computer, computer network, computer system, or other technology
918 infrastructure against unauthorized use or access.

919 (e) "Domicile" means either the country in which a company
920 is registered, or where the company's affairs are primarily
921 completed, or the country in which the majority of a company's
922 ownership share is held.

923 (f) "Foreign principal" means all of the following:

- 924 1. The government or any official of the government of a
925 country of concern.

926 2. A political party or member of a political party or any
 927 subdivision of a political party of a country of concern.

928 3. A partnership association, corporation, organization,
 929 or other combination of persons organized under the laws of or
 930 having its principal place of business in a country of concern,
 931 or a subsidiary of such entity, or owned or controlled wholly or
 932 in part by any person, entity, or collection of persons or
 933 entities of a country of concern.

934 4. Any person who is domiciled in a country of concern and
 935 is not a citizen or lawful permanent resident of the United
 936 States.

937 5. Any person, entity, or collection of persons or
 938 entities described in subparagraphs 1.-4. having a controlling
 939 interest in a partnership, association, corporation,
 940 organization, trust, or any other legal entity or subsidiary
 941 formed for the purpose of owning real property.

942 (g) "Software" means any program or routine, or any set of
 943 one or more programs or routines, which is used or intended for
 944 use to cause one or more computers or pieces of computer-related
 945 peripheral equipment, or any combination thereof, to perform a
 946 task or set of tasks related to state infrastructure. The term
 947 includes any operational software.

948 (4) PROHIBITED ACCESS TO INFRASTRUCTURE.—

949 (a) A company or other entity constructing, repairing,
 950 operating, or otherwise having significant access to critical

951 infrastructure may not enter into an agreement relating to
952 critical infrastructure within this state with a foreign
953 principal if the agreement allows the foreign principal from a
954 country of concern to directly or remotely access or control
955 critical infrastructure in this state.

956 (b) A governmental entity may not enter into a contract or
957 other agreement relating to critical infrastructure in this
958 state with a company that is a foreign principal if the
959 agreement allows the foreign principal to directly or remotely
960 access or control critical infrastructure in this state.

961 (c) Notwithstanding paragraph (a) or paragraph (b), an
962 entity or governmental entity may enter into a contract relating
963 to critical infrastructure with a foreign principal or use
964 products or services produced by a foreign principal if all of
965 the following apply:

966 1. There is no reasonable alternative for addressing the
967 need relevant to critical infrastructure.

968 2. The contract is preapproved by the department.

969 3. Not entering into such contract or agreement would pose
970 a greater threat to this state than the threat associated with
971 entering into the contract.

972 (5) REQUIREMENTS FOR ACCESS TO CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE.—

973 (a) In order to access critical infrastructure, a company
974 shall register with the department by filing a certification
975 form that the department prescribes by rule.

976 (b) To remain registered with the department to access
977 critical infrastructure, a company must do all of the following:

978 1. Identify all employee positions in the organization
979 which have access to critical infrastructure.

980 2. Before hiring a person or allowing such person to
981 continue to have access to critical infrastructure, obtain from
982 the Department of Law Enforcement a background screening to
983 protect critical infrastructure from infiltration or
984 interference by a country of concern.

985 3. Prohibit foreign nationals from a country of concern
986 from accessing critical infrastructure.

987 4. Disclose any ownership of, partnership with, or control
988 from any entity not domiciled within the United States.

989 5. Store and process all data generated by such critical
990 infrastructure on domestic servers.

991 6. Use cloud service providers or data centers that are
992 located within the United States.

993 7. Immediately report any cyberattack, security breach, or
994 suspicious activity to the department.

995 8. Comply with subsection (4).

996 (c) The department shall provide a certificate to a
997 company that complies with this section and shall revoke such
998 certificate if the company is no longer in compliance with this
999 section.

1000 (6) POWERS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES.—

1001 (a) The department must be notified by the owner of a
1002 critical infrastructure installation of any proposed sale or
1003 transfer of such critical infrastructure to, or proposed
1004 investment in such critical infrastructure by, an entity
1005 domiciled outside of the United States or an entity owned in
1006 whole or in part by a country of concern.

1007 (b) The department must investigate the proposed sale,
1008 transfer, or investment within 30 days after receiving the
1009 notice. If the department finds, beyond a reasonable doubt, that
1010 such proposed sale, transfer, or investment threatens critical
1011 infrastructure security, state economic security, public health,
1012 or any combination thereof, the Attorney General on behalf of
1013 the department shall file a request for an injunction opposing
1014 the proposed sale, transfer, or investment with the Supreme
1015 Court.

1016 (c) If the Supreme Court finds that such sale, transfer,
1017 or investment poses a reasonable threat to state critical
1018 infrastructure security, state economic security, state or
1019 national public health, or any combination thereof, the Supreme
1020 Court shall issue an order denying such sale, transfer, or
1021 investment.

1022 (d) The department shall notify critical infrastructure
1023 entities of known or suspected cyberthreats, vulnerabilities,
1024 and adversarial activities in a manner consistent with the goals
1025 of:

1026 1. Identifying and closing similar vulnerabilities in like
1027 critical infrastructure installations or processes, especially
1028 after being notified of activity under subparagraph (5) (b) 7.

1029 2. Maintaining operational security and normal functioning
1030 of critical infrastructure.

1031 3. Protecting the rights of private critical
1032 infrastructure entities by maintaining the confidentiality of
1033 trade secrets or other proprietary information, but only to the
1034 extent that such precaution does not inhibit the ability of the
1035 department to effectively communicate the threat of a known or
1036 suspected exploit or adversarial activity.

1037 (7) PROHIBITIONS ON CERTAIN SOFTWARE IN CRITICAL
1038 INFRASTRUCTURE.—

1039 (a) Software used in state infrastructure located within
1040 or serving this state may not include any software produced by a
1041 company headquartered in and subject to the laws of a country of
1042 concern, or a company under the direction or control of a
1043 country of concern.

1044 (b) All software used in state infrastructure in operation
1045 within or serving this state, including any state infrastructure
1046 that is not permanently disabled, which is prohibited by
1047 paragraph (6) (a) or paragraph (6) (b) must be removed and
1048 replaced with software that is not prohibited by such
1049 paragraphs.

1050 (c) Any state infrastructure provider that removes,

1051 discontinues, or replaces any prohibited software may not be
1052 required to obtain any additional permits from any state agency
1053 or political subdivision for the removal, discontinuance, or
1054 replacement of such software as long as the state agency or
1055 political subdivision is properly notified of the necessary
1056 replacements and the replacement software is similar to the
1057 existing software.

1058 (8) PROHIBITION ON VIDEO SURVEILLANCE AND LASER SENSOR
1059 TECHNOLOGY VENDORS.—

1060 (a) On or after July 1, 2026, a governmental entity or
1061 critical infrastructure provider may not knowingly enter into or
1062 renew a contract with a video surveillance or software
1063 technology provider if:

1064 1. The contracting vendor is owned by the government of a
1065 country of concern;

1066 2. The government of a country of concern has a
1067 controlling interest in the contracting vendor; or

1068 3. The contracting vendor is selling a product produced by
1069 a government of a country of concern, a company primarily
1070 domiciled in a country of concern, or a company owned or
1071 controlled by a company primarily domiciled in a country of
1072 concern.

1073 (b) On or after July 1, 2026, a governmental entity or
1074 critical infrastructure provider may not knowingly enter into or
1075 renew a contract with a LiDAR technology provider if:

1076 1. The contracting vendor is owned by the government of a
1077 country of concern;

1078 2. The government of a country of concern has a
1079 controlling interest in the contracting vendor; or

1080 3. The contracting vendor is selling a product produced by
1081 a government of a country of concern, a company primarily
1082 domiciled in a country of concern, or a company owned or
1083 controlled by a company primarily domiciled in a country of
1084 concern.

1085 (c) On or after July 1, 2026, the department shall create
1086 a public listing of prohibited school bus infraction detection
1087 systems, speed detection systems, traffic infraction detectors,
1088 or any other camera system described in s. 316.0078, or any
1089 video surveillance technology or LiDAR technology described in
1090 this subsection, for governmental entities and critical
1091 infrastructure providers.

1092 (9) PROHIBITION ON CERTAIN ROUTERS, MODEMS, AND SMART
1093 METERS.—

1094 (a) On or after July 1, 2026, a governmental entity or
1095 critical infrastructure provider may not knowingly enter into or
1096 renew a contract with a contracting vendor of a Wi-Fi router,
1097 modem system, or smart meter if:

1098 1. The contracting vendor is owned by the government of a
1099 country of concern;

1100 2. The government of a country of concern has a

1101 controlling interest in the contracting vendor; or

1102 3. The contracting vendor is selling a product produced by
1103 a government of a country of concern, a company primarily
1104 domiciled in a country of concern, or a company owned or
1105 controlled by a company primarily domiciled in a country of
1106 concern.

1107 (b) On or after July 1, 2026, each critical infrastructure
1108 provider in this state shall certify to the department that it
1109 does not use any Wi-Fi router, modem system, or smart meter:

1110 1. Produced by a company that is owned by the government
1111 of a country of concern;

1112 2. Produced by a company in which a country of concern has
1113 a controlling interest; or

1114 3. Produced by a company primarily domiciled in a country
1115 of concern, or a company owned or controlled by a company
1116 primarily domiciled in a country of concern.

1117 (c) By July 1, 2026, the department shall create,
1118 maintain, and update a public listing of prohibited Wi-Fi
1119 routers, modem systems, and smart meter technologies for
1120 governmental entities and critical infrastructure providers.

1121 **Section 3. Section 287.1382, Florida Statutes, is created**
1122 **to read:**

1123 287.1382 Florida Secure Communications Act.—

1124 (1) This section may be cited as the "Florida Secure
1125 Communications Act."

1126 (2) The purpose of this act is to secure this state's
1127 communications grid and protect national security by eliminating
1128 communications hardware and software from this state's
1129 communications grid which come from countries of concern and
1130 other sanctioned entities.

1131 (3) As used in this section, the term:

1132 (a) "Communications provider" means any public or private
1133 corporation that operates any system that supports the
1134 transmission of information of a user's choosing, regardless of
1135 the transmission medium or technology employed, and that
1136 connects to a network that allows the end user to engage in
1137 communications, including, but not limited to, service provided
1138 directly to the public.

1139 (b) "Country of concern" has the same meaning as the term
1140 "foreign country of concern" in s. 286.101.

1141 (c) "Critical communications infrastructure" means all
1142 physical broadband infrastructure and equipment that supports
1143 the transmission of information of a user's choosing, regardless
1144 of the transmission medium or technology employed, and that
1145 connects to a network that permits the end user to engage in
1146 communications, including, but not limited to, service provided
1147 directly to the public.

1148 (d) "Federally banned corporation" means any company or
1149 designated equipment previously or currently banned by the
1150 Federal Communications Commission, including, but not limited

1151 to, any equipment or service deemed to pose a threat to national
1152 security and identified on the covered list developed pursuant
1153 to 47 C.F.R. s. 1.50002 and published by the Public Safety and
1154 Homeland Security Bureau of the Federal Communications
1155 Commission pursuant to the federal Secure and Trusted
1156 Communications Networks Act of 2019, 47 U.S.C. ss. 1601 et seq.,
1157 as amended.

1158 (4) (a) All critical communications infrastructure located
1159 within or servicing this state, including any critical
1160 communications infrastructure that is not permanently disabled,
1161 must have all equipment prohibited by this section removed and
1162 replaced with equipment that is not prohibited by this section.

1163 (b) A communications provider that removes, discontinues,
1164 or replaces any prohibited communications equipment or service
1165 may not be required to obtain additional permits from any state
1166 agency or political subdivision for the removal, discontinuance,
1167 or replacement of such communications equipment or service as
1168 long as the state agency or political subdivision is properly
1169 notified of the necessary replacements and the replacement
1170 communications equipment is similar to the existing
1171 communications equipment.

1172 (5) (a) Beginning September 1, 2025, and each September 1
1173 thereafter, a communications provider providing service in this
1174 state must file with the department an attestation that the
1175 communications provider is not using equipment from a federally

1176 banned corporation in providing service to this state. Failure
1177 to file such attestation shall result in a civil penalty of \$500
1178 per each day late.

1179 (b) A communications provider shall provide the department
1180 with the name, address, telephone number, and e-mail address of
1181 a person with managerial responsibility for operations in this
1182 state.

1183 (6) A communications provider shall:

1184 (a) Keep the information required by this section current
1185 and notify the department of any changes within 60 days after
1186 such change.

1187 (b) Certify to the department by January 1 of each year
1188 all instances of prohibited critical communications equipment or
1189 services prohibited under this section if the communications
1190 provider is a participant in the Federal Secure and Trusted
1191 Communications Networks Reimbursement Program established by the
1192 federal Secure and Trusted Communications Network Act of 2019,
1193 47 U.S.C. ss. 1601 et seq., along with the geographic
1194 coordinates of the areas served by such prohibited equipment.

1195 (c) If the communications provider is a participant in the
1196 Federal Secure and Trusted Communications Networks Reimbursement
1197 Program and submits the required certification under paragraph
1198 (b), submit status reports every quarter to the department which
1199 detail the communications provider's compliance with the
1200 reimbursement program.

1201 (7) (a) A communications provider that violates this
1202 section may be subject to an administrative fine of no less than
1203 \$5,000 per day and no more than \$25,000 per day of
1204 noncompliance.

1205 (b) A communications provider that submits a false
1206 attestation or certification under subsection (6) may be subject
1207 to an administrative fine of no less than \$10,000 per day and no
1208 greater than \$20,000 per day of noncompliance.

1209 (c) A communications provider that fails to comply with
1210 this section or has been fined pursuant to this section may not
1211 receive any state or local funds for the development or support
1212 of new or existing critical communications infrastructure,
1213 including funds from the Florida Communications Universal
1214 Service Fund, and may not receive any federal funds subject to
1215 distribution by state or local governments for the development
1216 or support of new or existing critical communications
1217 infrastructure.

1218 (8) The department shall develop and publish quarterly a
1219 map of known prohibited communications equipment described in
1220 paragraph (6) (b) located in or serving this state. The map must
1221 meet all of the following requirements:

1222 (a) Clearly show the location of the prohibited equipment
1223 and the communications area serviced by the prohibited
1224 equipment.

1225 (b) Provide the name of the communications provider

1226 responsible for the prohibited equipment.

1227 (c) Provide the manufacturer and equipment type or purpose
 1228 of the prohibited equipment.

1229 **Section 4. Section 943.0315, Florida Statutes, is created**
 1230 **to read:**

1231 943.0315 Pacific Conflict Stress Test.—

1232 (1) SHORT TITLE.—This section may be cited as the "Pacific
 1233 Conflict Stress Test."

1234 (2) INTENT AND POLICY.—

1235 (a) It is the intent of the Legislature to prepare and
 1236 secure this state from the potential disruptive impact of a
 1237 conflict precipitated by a foreign adversary against allies,
 1238 democratic countries, or the Armed Forces of the United States
 1239 in the Pacific theater.

1240 (b)1. It is the policy of this state to support the
 1241 civilian and military command of the United States and its
 1242 efforts to promote and maintain prosperity, peace, and security
 1243 for the United States and its allies. It is also the policy of
 1244 this state to reduce security vulnerabilities within and enhance
 1245 the defensive posture of this state so as to protect residents
 1246 and citizens of the United States.

1247 2. It is further the policy of this state to make
 1248 reasonable preparations for a potential regional or global
 1249 conflict centered in the Pacific theater which could involve
 1250 attacks upon the United States and its allies, which could

1251 involve asymmetrical attacks on the American homeland, and which
1252 could cause the disruption or complete severing of supply chains
1253 between this state and the People's Republic of China, the
1254 Republic of China, or other countries in the Pacific theater.

1255 (3) DEFINITIONS.—As used in this section, the term:

1256 (a) "Critical infrastructure" means systems or assets,
1257 whether physical or virtual, so vital to this state or the
1258 United States that the incapacity or destruction of such systems
1259 and assets would have a debilitating impact on state or national
1260 security, state or national economic security, state or national
1261 public health, or any combination thereof. Critical
1262 infrastructure may be publicly or privately owned, and includes,
1263 but is not limited to:

1264 1. Gas and oil production, storage, or delivery systems.

1265 2. Water supply, treatment, storage, or delivery systems.

1266 3. Communication networks.

1267 4. Electrical power delivery systems.

1268 5. Emergency services.

1269 6. Transportation systems and services.

1270 7. Personal data or otherwise classified information
1271 storage systems, including cybersecurity.

1272 (b) "Critical procurements" means acquisitions made by the
1273 state or any agency, political subdivision, or private
1274 nongovernmental organization which are essential to the proper
1275 functioning of critical infrastructure or to the health, safety,

1276 or security of this state or the United States.

1277 (c) "Pacific conflict" means:

1278 1. A declared war or armed conflict between the United
1279 States or any of its allies and another nation which occurs in
1280 or on the land, sea, or air of the Pacific Ocean area and
1281 threatens or could reasonably escalate to threaten the supply
1282 chains, critical infrastructure, safety, or security of this
1283 state or the United States; and

1284 2. Includes a significant deterioration of diplomatic ties
1285 or economic engagement between the United States or its allies
1286 and another nation which threatens Pacific trade, travel, and
1287 military operations or exercises.

1288 (d) "State supply chain" means the end-to-end process for
1289 shipping goods purchased by the state beginning at the point of
1290 origin through a point or points of distribution to a
1291 destination within this state.

1292 (e) "State vendor supply chain" means the end-to-end
1293 process for shipping goods to state vendors beginning at the
1294 point of origin through a point or points of distribution to a
1295 destination within this state.

1296 (4) STATE RISK ASSESSMENT.—

1297 (a) By January 1, 2026, and annually thereafter, the Chief
1298 of Domestic Security shall produce and publish a state risk
1299 assessment.

1300 (b) The state risk assessment must include, but is not

1301 limited to, all of the following:

1302 1. An identification of threats and hazards that could
1303 negatively impact residents or assets of this state.

1304 2. A preparation of risk scenarios describing the cause
1305 and consequences of threats and hazards that might materialize
1306 to impact residents or assets of this state.

1307 3. An analysis of the probability and severity of the
1308 consequences associated with each risk scenario.

1309 4. An assessment of all substantial risks to this state's
1310 security, economic stability, public health, or any combination
1311 thereof occurring within and threatening this state.

1312 (5) COUNCIL ON PACIFIC CONFLICT.—

1313 (a) There is created the Council on Pacific Conflict
1314 adjunct to the Department of Law Enforcement. The council shall
1315 serve as an advisory council as defined in s. 20.03(7) to
1316 provide guidance and to make policy recommendations to the
1317 Governor and the Legislature regarding critical infrastructure
1318 and supply chains to promote and maintain prosperity, peace, and
1319 security in this state. The department shall provide
1320 administrative support for the council.

1321 (b)1. The council is composed of the following members:

1322 a. The Chief of Domestic Security, who serves as the chair
1323 of the council, appointed by the Governor.

1324 b. The Secretary of Commerce or his or her designee,
1325 appointed by the Governor.

1326 c. The Adjutant General or his or her designee, appointed
 1327 by the Governor.

1328 d. The Executive Director of the Department of Law
 1329 Enforcement, appointed by the Governor.

1330 e. The Executive Director of the Division of Emergency
 1331 Management, appointed by the Governor.

1332 f. Four individuals with applicable knowledge of the
 1333 threats posed to this state in the event of a Pacific conflict,
 1334 with one member appointed by each of the following:

1335 (I) The President of the Senate. This individual shall
 1336 serve as the vice-chair of the council.

1337 (II) The Minority Leader of the Senate.

1338 (III) The Speaker of the House of Representatives.

1339 (IV) The Minority Leader of the House of Representatives.

1340 2. Members of the council serve without compensation but
 1341 are entitled to receive reimbursement for per diem and travel
 1342 expenses as provided in s. 112.061.

1343 3. Members of the council must be appointed no later than
 1344 September 1, 2025.

1345 (c) The council shall conduct its first meeting no later
 1346 than October 1, 2025, and thereafter it shall meet at least
 1347 quarterly. The chair may call for a meeting at any time.

1348 (d) The council may retain external advisors to provide
 1349 expertise and collaborative research support. If the council
 1350 retains such external advisors, they may not be compensated, but

1351 may receive reimbursement for per diem and travel expenses as
1352 provided in s. 112.061.

1353 (e) The council shall prepare an annual report concerning
1354 the threats posed to this state in the event of a Pacific
1355 conflict. The report must incorporate findings from the supply
1356 chain audit required under subsection (6) and incorporate the
1357 findings of any report prepared under subsection (7). The report
1358 must provide a comprehensive risk assessment that includes all
1359 identified vulnerabilities and recommended mitigation and
1360 emergency response strategies pertaining to a Pacific conflict
1361 in the following areas:

- 1362 1. Critical infrastructure.
- 1363 2. Communications infrastructure.
- 1364 3. Military installations located within this state.
- 1365 4. State supply chains for critical procurements.
- 1366 5. State vendor supply chains for critical procurements.
- 1367 6. State cybersecurity.
- 1368 7. Public safety and security.
- 1369 8. Public health.
- 1370 9. Any other areas deemed appropriate or applicable by the
1371 council.

1372 (f) The council may:
1373 1. Consult experts.
1374 2. Request that the inspector general of the department
1375 investigate matters relating to this section. The inspector

1376 general may receive testimony in any format and any evidence to
1377 assist the council.

1378 3. Liaise with federal officials.

1379 (g) The council shall engage with the Division of
1380 Emergency Management to apply for a Department of Homeland
1381 Security Preparedness Grant to offset costs incurred in
1382 implementing this section.

1383 (6) AUDIT OF STATE SUPPLY CHAINS AND STATE VENDOR SUPPLY
1384 CHAINS.—The Secretary of Management Services shall conduct a
1385 supply chain audit of all critical procurements purchased or
1386 supplied through a state supply chain or state vendor supply
1387 chain and produce an audit report that must be submitted to the
1388 Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the
1389 House of Representatives by January 1, 2026.

1390 (a) The supply chain audit report must identify all of the
1391 following:

1392 1. All critical state procurements produced in or by a
1393 foreign adversarial nation, a state-owned enterprise of a
1394 foreign adversary nation, or a company owned by a company that
1395 is domiciled in a foreign adversary nation.

1396 2. All state critical procurements manufactured in
1397 countries or by companies at risk of disruption in the event of
1398 a Pacific conflict.

1399 3. All critical procurements sourced from any country or
1400 company which uses Pacific supply chain processes at risk of

1401 disruption in the event of a Pacific conflict.

1402 (b) The supply chain audit report must recommend
1403 alternative sourcing, if available; highlight the difficulty in
1404 identifying potential alternative sourcing, if relevant; and
1405 specify the level of risk to this state associated with such a
1406 disruption in sourcing for each procurement that is threatened
1407 in the event of a Pacific conflict.

1408 (c) The Governor shall provide a summary report to be made
1409 available to the Legislature and to the public. This report may
1410 not include any proprietary or confidential material or any
1411 information that would risk state or national security if
1412 published.

1413 (7) REPORT ON ADVERSARIAL THREATS TO STATE ASSETS,
1414 CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE, AND MILITARY INSTALLATIONS.-

1415 (a) The Chief of Domestic Security shall lead the Study on
1416 Adversarial Threats and Critical Infrastructure and coordinate
1417 the research and development of the report on adversarial
1418 threats to state assets and critical infrastructure and military
1419 installations required by this subsection.

1420 (b) No later than January 1, 2026, the Chief of Domestic
1421 Security shall identify all critical infrastructure, military
1422 installations, and other assets within this state which could
1423 reasonably be targeted in a malicious action by an adversarial
1424 nation in the event of a Pacific conflict, which malicious
1425 action could result in a significant negative impact on the

1426 public health, safety, economic security, or physical security
1427 of this state and nation. The Chief of Domestic Security shall
1428 apply consistent, objective criteria when identifying critical
1429 infrastructure, military installations, and other assets within
1430 this state.

1431 (c) No later than July 1, 2026, the Chief of Domestic
1432 Security shall produce a report on adversarial threats to state
1433 assets and critical infrastructure and military installations
1434 which must be available to the Governor and the members of the
1435 Council on Pacific Conflict. The report must include all of the
1436 following:

1437 1. Critical and other assets identified under paragraph
1438 (b), including the specific risks posed to each infrastructure
1439 system or asset in the event of a Pacific conflict.

1440 2. Mitigation strategies and recommendations to limit or
1441 eliminate the risk posed to the critical infrastructure,
1442 military installations, or other assets in the event of a
1443 Pacific conflict; and mitigation strategies and recommendations
1444 that limit or eliminate the risk posed to the safety and
1445 security of this state or nation in the event of a Pacific
1446 conflict.

1447 3. A risk-based list of critical infrastructure, military
1448 installations, and other assets identified under paragraph (b),
1449 the order of which must be determined by the degree to which:

1450 a. Each critical infrastructure system, military

1451 installations, or other assets are in need of protective action;
1452 and

1453 b. The debilitation of each critical infrastructure
1454 system, military installations, or other assets would threaten
1455 the safety and security of this state and the nation.

1456 (d) The Chief of Domestic Security shall coordinate with
1457 the Council on Pacific Conflict and other state agencies and
1458 must be provided with the resources necessary to produce the
1459 report. All state agencies shall provide the Chief of Domestic
1460 Security with the information necessary to carry out his or her
1461 responsibilities under this section. The Chief of Domestic
1462 Security shall develop a process for relevant stakeholders to
1463 submit information to assist in identifying critical
1464 infrastructure and other assets described under paragraph (b).

1465 (e) The Chief of Domestic Security may coordinate with
1466 institutions of higher education; private firms specializing in
1467 infrastructure risk management; and federal entities, including,
1468 but not limited to, the Department of Defense, the Cybersecurity
1469 and Infrastructure Security Agency, the Director of National
1470 Intelligence, the National Security Agency, or the Department of
1471 Homeland Security.

1472 (f) The Chief of Domestic Security, in coordination with
1473 state agencies, shall notify owners and operators of critical
1474 infrastructure and other assets identified under paragraph (b)
1475 as having been identified as a potential target of malicious

1476 actions by adversarial nations in the event of a Pacific
1477 conflict. Such notification must ensure that owners and
1478 operators are provided the basis for the determination made
1479 under paragraph (b).

1480 **Section 5. Subsection (14) of section 943.03, Florida**
1481 **Statutes, is amended to read:**

1482 943.03 Department of Law Enforcement.—

1483 (14) The department, with respect to counter-terrorism
1484 efforts, responses to acts of terrorism within or affecting this
1485 state, coordinating with and providing assistance to the Federal
1486 Government in the enforcement of federal immigration laws,
1487 responses to immigration enforcement incidents within or
1488 affecting this state, and other matters related to the domestic
1489 security of Florida as it relates to terrorism, conflicts
1490 involving the Armed Forces of the United States, and immigration
1491 enforcement incidents, shall coordinate and direct the law
1492 enforcement, initial emergency, and other initial responses. The
1493 department shall work closely with the Division of Emergency
1494 Management, other federal, state, and local law enforcement
1495 agencies, fire and rescue agencies, first-responder agencies,
1496 and others involved in preparation against acts of terrorism in
1497 or affecting this state, conflicts involving the Armed Forces of
1498 the United States, immigration enforcement incidents within or
1499 affecting this state, and in the response to such acts or
1500 incidents. The executive director of the department, or another

1501 member of the department designated by the director, shall serve
1502 as Chief of Domestic Security for the purpose of directing and
1503 coordinating such efforts. The department and Chief of Domestic
1504 Security shall use the regional domestic security task forces as
1505 established in this chapter to assist in such efforts.

1506 **Section 6. Paragraphs (b) and (c) of subsection (1) of**
1507 **section 943.0311, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:**

1508 943.0311 Chief of Domestic Security; duties of the
1509 department with respect to domestic security.—

1510 (1) The executive director of the department, or a member
1511 of the department designated by the executive director, shall
1512 serve as the Chief of Domestic Security. The Chief of Domestic
1513 Security shall:

1514 (b) Prepare recommendations for the Governor, the
1515 President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of
1516 Representatives, which are based upon ongoing assessments to
1517 limit the vulnerability of the state to terrorism, conflicts
1518 involving the Armed Forces of the United States, and immigration
1519 enforcement incidents.

1520 (c) Coordinate the collection of proposals to limit the
1521 vulnerability of the state to terrorism, conflicts involving the
1522 Armed Forces of the United States, and immigration enforcement
1523 incidents.

1524 **Section 7.** This act shall take effect July 1, 2025, but
1525 only if HB 927 or similar legislation takes effect, if such

1526 | legislation is adopted in the same legislative session or an
1527 | extension thereof and becomes a law.