Florida Senate - 2025 Bill No. SB 940

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate Comm: RCS 03/19/2025 House

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

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Delete everything after the enacting clause

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

and insert:

Section 1. <u>This act may be cited to as the "Restaurant</u> Reservation Anti-Piracy Act."

Section 2. Section 509.105, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

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509.105 Third-party reservation platforms prohibited.-(1) As used in this section, the term "third-party Florida Senate - 2025 Bill No. SB 940

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reservation platform" means a website, mobile application, or 11 12 other Internet service that satisfies all of the following: 13 (a) Offers or arranges for a reservation at a public food 14 service establishment for on-premises service. 15 (b) Is owned and operated by a person other than the owner 16 of the public food service establishment. 17 (c) Does not have a contractual relationship or agreement 18 with the public food service establishment, or its contractual 19 designee, to offer or arrange for a reservation at the public 20 food service establishment for on-premises service. 21 (2) A third-party reservation platform does not include a 22 contractual designee of an individual customer which arranges 23 for a personal and nontransferable reservation at a food service 24 establishment at the request of the customer and at no cost to 25 the customer, provided that the designee shares the individual 26 customer's contact information with the food service 27 establishment, allows the food service establishment to confirm 28 the reservation with the individual customer, and honors 29 requests from the food service establishment to opt out of 30 future reservations created by the designee. 31 (3) A third-party reservation platform may not list, advertise, promote, facilitate, sell, or otherwise enable a 32 33 reservation at a public food service establishment. 34 (4) The division may impose a civil penalty on a third-35 party reservation platform in an amount not to exceed \$1,000 for 36 each violation of this section or of a division rule. Violations under this subsection shall accrue on a daily basis for each day 37 38 and each reservation for each food service establishment in 39 which there has been a violation of this section or rules of the

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40	division.
41	Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2025.
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43	=========== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =================================
44	And the title is amended as follows:
45	Delete everything before the enacting clause
46	and insert:
47	A bill to be entitled
48	An act relating to third-party reservation platforms;
49	providing a short title; creating s. 509.105, F.S.;
50	defining the term "third-party reservation platform";
51	specifying that a third-party reservation platform
52	does not include certain contractual designees;
53	prohibiting a third-party reservation platform from
54	listing, advertising, promoting, selling, or otherwise
55	enabling a reservation at a public food service
56	establishment; authorizing the Division of Hotels and
57	Restaurants of the Department of Business and
58	Professional Regulation to impose a civil penalty not
59	to exceed a specified amount for a violation of the
60	act or of a division rule; providing a schedule and
61	requirements for the accrual of such violations;
62	providing an effective date.

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