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A bill to be entitled
An act relating to the Parkinson's disease registry; creating ss. 458.352 and 459.075, F.S.; requiring physicians to report certain information to the Parkinson's disease registry; providing limited liability for physicians under certain circumstances; amending s. 1004.4352, F.S.; authorizing the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives to each appoint one member to the Parkinson's Disease Research Board; requiring the board, subject to appropriation, to contract with a private entity to establish and maintain a statewide Parkinson's disease registry; providing requirements for such registry and private entity; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Section 458.352, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

458.352 Parkinson's Disease Registry; reporting requirement.—

(1) Beginning January 1, 2027, each physician who diagnoses or treats a patient with Parkinson's disease shall regularly report to the statewide Parkinson's disease registry,

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26 established pursuant to s. 1004.4352, information containing
27 nationally recognized Parkinson's disease performance measures.

28 (2) A liability of any kind or character for damages or
29 other relief may not arise or be enforced against a physician by
30 reason of having provided such information to the statewide
31 Parkinson's disease registry.

32 **Section 2. Section 459.075, Florida Statutes, is created**
33 **to read:**

34 459.075 Parkinson's Disease Registry; reporting
35 requirement.—

36 (1) Beginning January 1, 2027, each physician who
37 diagnoses or treats a patient with Parkinson's disease shall
38 regularly report to the statewide Parkinson's disease registry,
39 established pursuant to s. 1004.4352, information containing
40 nationally recognized Parkinson's disease performance measures.

41 (2) A liability of any kind or character for damages or
42 other relief may not arise or be enforced against a physician by
43 reason of having provided such information to the statewide
44 Parkinson's disease registry.

45 **Section 3. Paragraph (b) of subsection (4) of section**
46 **1004.4352, Florida Statutes, is amended, and subsection (5) is**
47 **added to that section, to read:**

48 1004.4352 Parkinson's disease research.—

49 (4) CONSORTIUM FOR PARKINSON'S DISEASE RESEARCH.—

50 (b) The Parkinson's Disease Research Board is established

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51 to direct the operations of the consortium. The board shall be
52 composed of members representing each participating university
53 or academic medical center, appointed by the president or chief
54 executive officer of each participating university or academic
55 medical center, and the President of the Senate and the Speaker
56 of the House of Representatives shall each appoint one member.
57 Board members must have experience in a variety of scientific
58 fields, including, but not limited to, neurology, psychology,
59 nutrition, and genetics. Members shall be appointed to 4-year
60 terms and may be reappointed to serve additional terms. The
61 chair shall be elected by the board from among its members to
62 serve a 2-year term. The board shall meet at least semiannually
63 at the call of the chair or, in his or her absence or
64 incapacity, the vice chair. Four members constitute a quorum. A
65 majority vote of the members present is required for all actions
66 of the board. The board may prescribe, amend, and repeal a
67 charter governing the manner in which it conducts its business.
68 Board members shall serve without compensation, but are entitled
69 to receive reimbursement for travel expenses by the consortium
70 or the organization he or she represents in accordance with s.
71 112.061.

72 (5) PARKINSON'S DISEASE REGISTRY.—

73 (a) Subject to a specific appropriation, the board shall
74 contract with a private entity to establish and maintain a
75 statewide Parkinson's disease registry to ensure that the

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76 Parkinson's disease performance measures required to be
77 submitted under paragraph (b) are maintained and available for
78 use to improve or modify the Parkinson's disease care system,
79 ensure compliance with standards and nationally recognized
80 guidelines, and monitor Parkinson's disease patient outcomes.

81 (b) Physicians licensed under chapter 458 or chapter 459,
82 pursuant to ss. 458.352 and 459.075, shall regularly report to
83 the statewide Parkinson's disease registry information
84 containing nationally recognized Parkinson's disease performance
85 measures.

86 (c) The board shall require the contracted private entity
87 to use a nationally recognized platform to collect data from
88 physicians on the Parkinson's disease performance measures
89 required in paragraph (b). The contracted private entity shall
90 provide regular reports to the board on the data collected.

91 **Section 4.** This act shall take effect July 1, 2026.