

1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to the Parkinson's disease registry;
3 creating ss. 458.352, 459.075, and 464.0124 F.S.;
4 requiring physicians and advanced practice registered
5 nurses to report certain information to the
6 Parkinson's disease registry; providing limited
7 liability for physicians and advanced practice
8 registered nurses under certain circumstances;
9 amending s. 1004.4352, F.S.; requiring the President
10 of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of
11 Representatives to each appoint one member to the
12 Parkinson's Disease Research Board; revising
13 membership qualifications and terms; revising report
14 requirements; requiring the Institute for Parkinson's
15 Disease within the University of South Florida,
16 subject to appropriation, to establish and maintain a
17 statewide Parkinson's disease registry; providing
18 requirements for such registry; requiring the
19 institute to create and maintain a Parkinson's disease
20 registry-specific website; providing requirements for
21 such website; providing an effective date.
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23 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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25 Section 1. Section 458.352, Florida Statutes, is created

26 to read:

27 458.352 Parkinson's disease registry; reporting
28 requirement.—

29 (1) Beginning January 1, 2027, each physician who
30 diagnoses or treats a patient for Parkinson's disease or
31 atypical parkinsonism shall report to the statewide Parkinson's
32 disease registry, established pursuant to s. 1004.4352,
33 information containing nationally recognized Parkinson's disease
34 and atypical parkinsonism performance measures.

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

39 Section 2. Section 459.075, Florida Statutes, is created
40 to read:

41 459.075 Parkinson's disease registry; reporting
42 requirement.—

43 (1) Beginning January 1, 2027, each physician who
44 diagnoses or treats a patient for Parkinson's disease or
45 atypical parkinsonism shall report to the statewide Parkinson's
46 disease registry, established pursuant to s. 1004.4352,
47 information containing nationally recognized Parkinson's disease
48 and atypical parkinsonism performance measures.

49 (2) A liability of any kind or character for damages or
50 other relief may not arise or be enforced against a physician by

51 reason of having provided such information to the statewide
52 Parkinson's disease registry.

53 Section 3. Section 464.0124, Florida Statutes, is created
54 to read:

55 464.0124 Parkinson's disease registry; advanced practice
56 registered nurse reporting requirement.—

57 (1) Beginning January 1, 2027, each advanced practice
58 registered nurse who diagnoses or treats a patient for
59 Parkinson's disease or atypical parkinsonism shall report to the
60 statewide Parkinson's disease registry, established pursuant to
61 s. 1004.4352, information containing nationally recognized
62 Parkinson's disease and atypical parkinsonism performance
63 measures.

64 (2) A liability of any kind or character for damages or
65 other relief may not arise or be enforced against an advanced
66 practice registered nurse by reason of having provided such
67 information to the statewide Parkinson's disease registry.

68 Section 4. Paragraphs (b) and (e) of subsection (4) of
69 section 1004.4352, Florida Statutes, are amended, and subsection
70 (5) is added to that section, to read:

71 1004.4352 Parkinson's disease research.—

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

73 (b) The Parkinson's Disease Research Board is established
74 to direct the operations of the consortium. The board shall be
75 composed of one member appointed by the President of the Senate,

76 one member appointed by the Speaker of the House of
77 Representatives, and members representing each participating
78 university or academic medical center, appointed by the
79 president or chief executive officer of each participating
80 university or academic medical center. Board members, other than
81 those appointed by the President of the Senate or the Speaker of
82 the House of Representatives, must have experience as a movement
83 disorder specialist and in informatics or population health
84 research and Parkinson's disease research ~~in a variety of~~
85 ~~scientific fields, including, but not limited to, neurology,~~
86 ~~psychology, nutrition, and genetics.~~ Members shall be appointed
87 to 3-year ~~4-year~~ terms and may be reappointed to serve
88 additional terms. The chair shall be elected by the board from
89 among its members to serve a 2-year term. The board shall meet
90 at least semiannually at the call of the chair or, in his or her
91 absence or incapacity, the vice chair. Four members constitute a
92 quorum. A majority vote of the members present is required for
93 all actions of the board. The board may prescribe, amend, and
94 repeal a charter governing the manner in which it conducts its
95 business. Board members shall serve without compensation, but
96 are entitled to receive reimbursement for travel expenses by the
97 consortium or the organization he or she represents in
98 accordance with s. 112.061.

99 (e) By October 15 of each year, the board shall issue a
100 report to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the

101 Speaker of the House of Representatives on research projects,
102 research findings, and community outreach initiatives conducted
103 or funded by, ~~and future plans for~~ the consortium. Beginning on
104 October 15, 2028, and annually thereafter, the report shall
105 include a summary update on the incidence and prevalence of
106 Parkinson's disease and atypical parkinsonism in the state by
107 county, how many records have been included and reported into
108 the registry, and demographic information such as patients by
109 age, gender, and race.

110 (5) PARKINSON'S DISEASE REGISTRY.—

111 (a) Subject to a specific appropriation, the Florida
112 Institute for Parkinson's Disease within the University of South
113 Florida shall establish and maintain a statewide Parkinson's
114 disease registry to ensure that the Parkinson's disease and
115 atypical parkinsonism performance measures required to be
116 submitted under paragraph (b) are maintained and available for
117 use to improve or modify the Parkinson's disease and atypical
118 parkinsonism care system, ensure compliance with standards and
119 nationally recognized guidelines, and monitor Parkinson's
120 disease and atypical parkinsonism patient outcomes.

121 (b) Physicians licensed under chapter 458 or chapter 459,
122 pursuant to ss. 458.352 and 459.075, and advanced practice
123 registered nurses, pursuant to s. 464.0124, shall regularly
124 report to the statewide Parkinson's disease registry information
125 containing nationally recognized Parkinson's disease and

126 atypical parkinsonism performance measures.

127 (c) Beginning January 1, 2028, the Institute for
128 Parkinson's Disease within the University of South Florida shall
129 create and maintain a public website dedicated solely to the
130 Parkinson's disease registry which must include, at a minimum,
131 downloadable annual reports on the incidence and prevalence of
132 Parkinson's disease and atypical parkinsonism, information on
133 the consortium, and other information as determined by the
134 board. The website shall be updated on or before January 1,
135 2029, and annually thereafter.

136 Section 5. This act shall take effect July 1, 2026.