

By Senator Simon

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A bill to be entitled  
An act relating to forensic services for certain  
defendants; amending s. 916.106, F.S.; revising the  
definition of the term "forensic client" or "client";  
reenacting s. 402.164(2)(b), F.S., relating to the  
definition of the term "client," to incorporate the  
amendment made to s. 916.106, F.S., in a reference  
thereto; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Subsection (9) of section 916.106, Florida  
Statutes, is amended to read:

916.106 Definitions.—For the purposes of this chapter, the  
term:

(9) "Forensic client" or "client" means any defendant who  
has been committed to the department or agency pursuant to s.  
916.13, s. 916.15, ~~or~~ s. 916.302, or s. 916.303(3).

Section 2. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment  
made by this act to section 916.106, Florida Statutes, in a  
reference thereto, paragraph (b) of subsection (2) of section  
402.164, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

402.164 Legislative intent; definitions.—

(2) As used in this section through s. 402.167, the term:

(b) "Client" means a client of the Agency for Persons with  
Disabilities, the Agency for Health Care Administration, the  
Department of Children and Families, or the Department of  
Elderly Affairs, as defined in s. 393.063, s. 394.67, s.  
397.311, or s. 400.960, a forensic client or client as defined

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in s. 916.106, a child or youth as defined in s. 39.01, a child as defined in s. 827.01, a family as defined in s. 414.0252, a participant as defined in s. 429.901, a resident as defined in s. 429.02, a Medicaid recipient or recipient as defined in s. 409.901, a child receiving child care as defined in s. 402.302, a disabled adult as defined in s. 410.032 or s. 410.603, or a victim as defined in s. 39.01 or s. 415.102 as each definition applies within its respective chapter.

Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2026.