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1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to the ordering of medication;
3	amending s. 381.887, F.S.; providing that a pharmacist
4	may dispense an emergency opioid antagonist pursuant
5	to a non-patient-specific standing order for an
6	autoinjection delivery system or intranasal
7	application delivery system; amending ss. 458.347 and
8	459.022, F.S.; revising the authority of a licensed
9	physician assistant to order medication under the
10	direction of a supervisory physician for a specified
11	patient; amending s. 464.012, F.S.; authorizing an
12	advanced registered nurse practitioner to order
13	medication for administration to a specified patient;
14	providing a short title; amending s. 465.003, F.S.;
15	revising the term "prescription" to exclude an order
16	for drugs or medicinal supplies dispensed for
17	administration; amending s. 893.02, F.S.; revising the
18	term "administer" to include the term
19	"administration"; revising the definition of the term
20	"prescription"; amending s. 893.04, F.S.; conforming
21	provisions to changes made by the act; amending s.
22	893.05, F.S.; authorizing a licensed practitioner to
23	authorize a licensed physician assistant or advanced
24	registered nurse practitioner to order controlled
25	substances for a specified patient under certain
26	circumstances; reenacting ss. 400.462(26) and
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27	409.906(18), F.S., relating to the definition of the
28	term "physician assistant" for purposes of the Home
29	Health Services Act and physician assistant services
30	under the Medicaid program, respectively, to
31	incorporate the amendments made by the act to ss.
32	458.347 and 459.022, F.S., in references thereto;
33	reenacting ss. 401.445(1) and 766.103(3), F.S.,
34	relating to emergency examination and treatment of
35	incapacitated persons and the Florida Medical Consent
36	Law, respectively, to incorporate the amendments made
37	by the act to ss. 458.347, 459.022, and 464.012, F.S.,
38	in references thereto; reenacting ss. 409.9201(1)(a),
39	465.014(1), 465.1901, 499.003(43), and 831.30(1),
40	F.S., relating to the definition of "prescription
41	drug" for purposes of Medicaid fraud, the supervision
42	of registered pharmacy technicians, applicability of
43	provisions regulating the practice of orthotics or
44	pedorthics to pharmacists, the definition of the term
45	"prescription drug" for purposes of the Florida Drug
46	and Cosmetic Act, and criminal penalties related to
47	the fraudulent obtaining of medicinal drugs,
48	respectively, to incorporate the amendment made by the
49	act to s. 465.003, F.S., in references thereto;
50	reenacting ss. 458.331(1)(pp), 459.015(1)(rr),
51	465.015(2)(c) and (3), 465.016(1)(s), 465.022(5)(j),
52	and 465.023(1)(h), F.S., relating to grounds for
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53 disciplinary action by the Board of Medicine or the 54 Board of Osteopathic Medicine, unlawful acts and 55 penalties related to the practice of pharmacy, grounds for denial of a pharmacy permit or disciplinary action 56 against a pharmacy permittee, respectively, to 57 58 incorporate the amendments made by the act to ss. 59 465.003 and 893.02, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting ss. 112.0455(5)(i), 381.986(7)(b), 60 61 440.102(1)(1), 499.0121(14), 768.36(1)(b), 810.02(3)(f), 812.014(2)(c), 856.015(1)(c), 62 63 944.47(1)(a), 951.22(1), 985.711(1)(a), 1003.57(1)(i), and 1006.09(8), F.S., relating to the Drug-Free 64 Workplace Act, the compassionate use of low-THC 65 cannabis, drug-free workplace program requirements, 66 reporting of prescription drug distribution, the 67 68 definition of the term "drug" for purposes of defenses from civil actions related to alcohol or drugs, 69 70 burglary offenses, penalties for grand theft, the 71 definition of the term "drug" for purposes of offenses related to open house parties, unlawful introduction 72 73 of certain articles into correctional institutions, 74 county detention facilities, or juvenile detention 75 facilities, the definition of the term "controlled 76 substance" for purposes of exceptional student 77 instruction, and duties of school principals related to student discipline, respectively, to incorporate 78 Page 3 of 40

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79	the amendment made by the act to s. 893.02, F.S., in
80	references thereto; reenacting s. 893.0551(3)(d) and
81	(e), F.S., relating to disclosure by the Department of
82	Health of confidential information in prescription
83	drug monitoring program records, to incorporate the
84	amendments made by the act to ss. 893.04 and 893.05,
85	F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective
86	date.
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88	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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90	Section 1. Subsection (3) of section 381.887, Florida
91	Statutes, is amended to read:
92	381.887 Emergency treatment for suspected opioid
93	overdose
94	(3) An authorized health care practitioner may prescribe
95	and dispense an emergency opioid antagonist to a patient or
96	caregiver for use in accordance with this section, and
97	pharmacists may dispense an emergency opioid antagonist pursuant
98	to <u>such</u> a prescription <u>or pursuant to a non-patient-specific</u>
99	standing order for an autoinjection delivery system or
100	intranasal application delivery system, which must be issued in
101	the name of the patient or caregiver, which is appropriately
102	labeled with instructions for use. Such patient or caregiver is
103	authorized to store and possess approved emergency opioid
104	antagonists and, in an emergency situation when a physician is
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105 not immediately available, administer the emergency opioid 106 antagonist to a person believed in good faith to be experiencing 107 an opioid overdose, regardless of whether that person has a 108 prescription for an emergency opioid antagonist. Section 2. Paragraph (g) of subsection (4) of section 109 458.347, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 110 111 458.347 Physician assistants.-112 (4) PERFORMANCE OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS.-113 (q) A supervisory physician may delegate to a licensed physician assistant the authority to, and the licensed physician 114 assistant acting under the direction of the supervisory 115 116 physician may, order any medication medications for 117 administration to the supervisory physician's patient during his or her care in a facility licensed under chapter 395 or part II 118 of chapter 400, notwithstanding any provisions in chapter 465 or 119 120 chapter 893 which may prohibit this delegation. For the purpose 121 of this paragraph, an order is not considered a prescription. A 122 licensed physician assistant working in a facility that is 123 licensed under chapter 395 may order any medication under the 124 direction of the supervisory physician. 125 Section 3. Paragraph (f) of subsection (4) of section 459.022, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 126 127 459.022 Physician assistants.-128 (4) PERFORMANCE OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS.-129 (f) A supervisory physician may delegate to a licensed physician assistant the authority to, and the licensed physician 130 Page 5 of 40

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131 assistant acting under the direction of the supervisory 132 physician may, order any medication medications for administration to the supervisory physician's patient during his 133 134 or her care in a facility licensed under chapter 395 or part II 135 of chapter 400, notwithstanding any provisions in chapter 465 or 136 chapter 893 which may prohibit this delegation. For the purpose 137 of this paragraph, an order is not considered a prescription. A 138 licensed physician assistant working in a facility that is 139 licensed under chapter 395 may order any medication under the 140 direction of the supervisory physician.

141 Section 4. Paragraph (e) is added to subsection (3) of 142 section 464.012, Florida Statutes, and subsection (6) is added 143 to that section to read:

144 464.012 Certification of advanced registered nurse 145 practitioners; fees.-

146 (3) An advanced registered nurse practitioner shall 147 perform those functions authorized in this section within the 148 framework of an established protocol that is filed with the 149 board upon biennial license renewal and within 30 days after 150 entering into a supervisory relationship with a physician or 151 changes to the protocol. The board shall review the protocol to 152 ensure compliance with applicable regulatory standards for 153 protocols. The board shall refer to the department licensees 154 submitting protocols that are not compliant with the regulatory 155 standards for protocols. A practitioner currently licensed under 156 chapter 458, chapter 459, or chapter 466 shall maintain

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supervision for directing the specific course of medical 157 158 treatment. Within the established framework, an advanced 159 registered nurse practitioner may: (e) Order any medication for administration to a patient 160 in a facility licensed under chapter 395 or part II of chapter 161 400, notwithstanding any provisions in chapter 465 or chapter 162 163 893. 164 This section shall be known as "The Barbara Lumpkin (6) 165 Prescribing Act." Section 5. Subsections (1) and (22) of section 893.02, 166 Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 167 168 893.02 Definitions.-The following words and phrases as 169 used in this chapter shall have the following meanings, unless 170 the context otherwise requires: "Administer" or "administration" means the direct 171 (1)172 application of a controlled substance, whether by injection, 173 inhalation, ingestion, or any other means, to the body of a 174 person or animal. 175 "Prescription" means and includes any an order for (22)drugs or medicinal supplies which is written, signed, or 176 177 transmitted by any word of mouth, telephone, telegram, or other 178 means of communication by a duly licensed practitioner 179 authorized licensed by the laws of this the state to prescribe 180 such drugs or medicinal supplies, is issued in good faith and in the course of professional practice, is intended to be filled, 181 compounded, or dispensed by a another person authorized licensed 182 Page 7 of 40

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183 by the laws of <u>this</u> the state to do so, and <u>meets</u> meeting the 184 requirements of s. 893.04.

The term also includes an order for drugs or medicinal 185 (a) 186 supplies so transmitted or written by a physician, dentist, veterinarian, or other practitioner licensed to practice in a 187 state other than Florida, but only if the pharmacist called upon 188 189 to fill such an order determines, in the exercise of his or her 190 professional judgment, that the order was issued pursuant to a 191 valid patient-physician relationship, that it is authentic, and 192 that the drugs or medicinal supplies so ordered are considered necessary for the continuation of treatment of a chronic or 193 recurrent illness. 194

195 (b) However, If the physician writing the prescription is 196 not known to the pharmacist, the pharmacist shall obtain proof 197 to a reasonable certainty of the validity of <u>the said</u> 198 prescription.

199 A prescription order for a controlled substance may (C) 200 shall not be issued on the same prescription blank with another 201 prescription order for a controlled substance that which is 202 named or described in a different schedule or with another, nor shall any prescription order for a controlled substance be 203 204 issued on the same prescription blank as a prescription order 205 for a medicinal drug, as defined in s. 465.003(8), that is which 206 does not fall within the definition of a controlled substance as 207 defined in this act.

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Section 6. Paragraphs (a), (d), and (f) of subsection (2) Page 8 of 40

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209 of section 893.04, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 210 893.04 Pharmacist and practitioner.-

211 (2) (a) A pharmacist may not dispense a controlled substance listed in Schedule II, Schedule III, or Schedule IV to 212 any patient or patient's agent without first determining, in the 213 214 exercise of her or his professional judgment, that the 215 prescription order is valid. The pharmacist may dispense the 216 controlled substance, in the exercise of her or his professional 217 judgment, when the pharmacist or pharmacist's agent has obtained satisfactory patient information from the patient or the 218 219 patient's agent.

220 Each written prescription written prescribed by a (d) 221 practitioner in this state for a controlled substance listed in 222 Schedule II, Schedule III, or Schedule IV must include both a 223 written and a numerical notation of the quantity of the 224 controlled substance prescribed and a notation of the date in 225 numerical, month/day/year format, or with the abbreviated month 226 written out, or the month written out in whole. A pharmacist 227 may, upon verification by the prescriber, document any 228 information required by this paragraph. If the prescriber is not 229 available to verify a prescription, the pharmacist may dispense the controlled substance, but may insist that the person to whom 230 231 the controlled substance is dispensed provide valid photographic identification. If a prescription includes a numerical notation 232 233 of the quantity of the controlled substance or date, but does not include the quantity or date written out in textual format, 234

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the pharmacist may dispense the controlled substance without verification by the prescriber of the quantity or date if the pharmacy previously dispensed another prescription for the person to whom the prescription was written.

(f) A pharmacist may not knowingly <u>dispense</u> fill a
prescription that has been forged for a controlled substance
listed in Schedule II, Schedule III, or Schedule IV.

242 Section 7. Subsection (1) of section 893.05, Florida 243 Statutes, is amended to read:

244 893.05 Practitioners and persons administering controlled
245 substances in their absence.-

(1) (a) A practitioner, in good faith and in the course of
his or her professional practice only, may prescribe,
administer, dispense, mix, or otherwise prepare a controlled
substance, or the practitioner may cause the <u>controlled</u>
<u>substance</u> same to be administered by a licensed nurse or an
intern practitioner under his or her direction and supervision
only.

253 (b) Pursuant to s. 458.347(4)(g), s. 459.022(4)(f), or s. 254 464.012(3), as applicable, a practitioner who supervises a 255 licensed physician assistant or advanced registered nurse 256 practitioner may authorize the licensed physician assistant or 257 advanced registered nurse practitioner to order controlled 258 substances for administration to a patient in a facility 259 licensed under chapter 395 or part II of chapter 400. 260 (c) A veterinarian may so prescribe, administer, dispense, Page 10 of 40

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261 mix, or prepare a controlled substance for use on animals only, 262 and may cause <u>the controlled substance</u> it to be administered by 263 an assistant or orderly under the veterinarian's direction and 264 supervision only.

265 (d) A certified optometrist licensed under chapter 463 may 266 not administer or prescribe a controlled substance listed in 267 Schedule I or Schedule II of s. 893.03.

Section 8. For the purpose of incorporating the amendments made by this act to sections 458.347 and 459.022, Florida Statutes, in references thereto, subsection (26) of section 400.462, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

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400.462 Definitions.-As used in this part, the term:

(26) "Physician assistant" means a person who is a graduate of an approved program or its equivalent, or meets standards approved by the boards, and is licensed to perform medical services delegated by the supervising physician, as defined in s. 458.347 or s. 459.022.

278 Section 9. For the purpose of incorporating the amendments 279 made by this act to sections 458.347 and 459.022, Florida 280 Statutes, in references thereto, subsection (18) of section 281 409.906, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

409.906 Optional Medicaid services.—Subject to specific appropriations, the agency may make payments for services which are optional to the state under Title XIX of the Social Security Act and are furnished by Medicaid providers to recipients who are determined to be eligible on the dates on which the services

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287 were provided. Any optional service that is provided shall be 288 provided only when medically necessary and in accordance with state and federal law. Optional services rendered by providers 289 290 in mobile units to Medicaid recipients may be restricted or prohibited by the agency. Nothing in this section shall be 291 292 construed to prevent or limit the agency from adjusting fees, 293 reimbursement rates, lengths of stay, number of visits, or 294 number of services, or making any other adjustments necessary to 295 comply with the availability of moneys and any limitations or directions provided for in the General Appropriations Act or 296 chapter 216. If necessary to safeguard the state's systems of 297 298 providing services to elderly and disabled persons and subject 299 to the notice and review provisions of s. 216.177, the Governor 300 may direct the Agency for Health Care Administration to amend 301 the Medicaid state plan to delete the optional Medicaid service 302 known as "Intermediate Care Facilities for the Developmentally Disabled." Optional services may include: 303

(18) PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT SERVICES.—The agency may pay for all services provided to a recipient by a physician assistant licensed under s. 458.347 or s. 459.022. Reimbursement for such services must be not less than 80 percent of the reimbursement that would be paid to a physician who provided the same services.

310 Section 10. For the purpose of incorporating the 311 amendments made by this act to sections 458.347, 459.022, and 312 464.012, Florida Statutes, in references thereto, subsection (1)

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313 of section 401.445, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read: 314 401.445 Emergency examination and treatment of

315 incapacitated persons.-

316 No recovery shall be allowed in any court in this (1) 317 state against any emergency medical technician, paramedic, or physician as defined in this chapter, any advanced registered 318 319 nurse practitioner certified under s. 464.012, or any physician 320 assistant licensed under s. 458.347 or s. 459.022, or any person 321 acting under the direct medical supervision of a physician, in 322 an action brought for examining or treating a patient without his or her informed consent if: 323

(a) The patient at the time of examination or treatment is
intoxicated, under the influence of drugs, or otherwise
incapable of providing informed consent as provided in s.
766.103;

328 (b) The patient at the time of examination or treatment is329 experiencing an emergency medical condition; and

(c) The patient would reasonably, under all the surrounding circumstances, undergo such examination, treatment, or procedure if he or she were advised by the emergency medical technician, paramedic, physician, advanced registered nurse practitioner, or physician assistant in accordance with s. 766.103(3).

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337 Examination and treatment provided under this subsection shall338 be limited to reasonable examination of the patient to determine

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339 the medical condition of the patient and treatment reasonably 340 necessary to alleviate the emergency medical condition or to 341 stabilize the patient.

342 Section 11. For the purpose of incorporating the 343 amendments made by this act to sections 458.347, 459.022, and 344 464.012, Florida Statutes, in references thereto, subsection (3) 345 of section 766.103, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

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766.103 Florida Medical Consent Law.-

347 (3) No recovery shall be allowed in any court in this 348 state against any physician licensed under chapter 458, osteopathic physician licensed under chapter 459, chiropractic 349 350 physician licensed under chapter 460, podiatric physician 351 licensed under chapter 461, dentist licensed under chapter 466, 352 advanced registered nurse practitioner certified under s. 353 464.012, or physician assistant licensed under s. 458.347 or s. 354 459.022 in an action brought for treating, examining, or 355 operating on a patient without his or her informed consent when:

356 (a)1. The action of the physician, osteopathic physician, 357 chiropractic physician, podiatric physician, dentist, advanced 358 registered nurse practitioner, or physician assistant in 359 obtaining the consent of the patient or another person authorized to give consent for the patient was in accordance 360 361 with an accepted standard of medical practice among members of 362 the medical profession with similar training and experience in the same or similar medical community as that of the person 363 treating, examining, or operating on the patient for whom the 364

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365 consent is obtained; and

2. A reasonable individual, from the information provided 366 367 by the physician, osteopathic physician, chiropractic physician, 368 podiatric physician, dentist, advanced registered nurse practitioner, or physician assistant, under the circumstances, 369 370 would have a general understanding of the procedure, the 371 medically acceptable alternative procedures or treatments, and 372 the substantial risks and hazards inherent in the proposed 373 treatment or procedures, which are recognized among other 374 physicians, osteopathic physicians, chiropractic physicians, 375 podiatric physicians, or dentists in the same or similar 376 community who perform similar treatments or procedures; or

(b) The patient would reasonably, under all the surrounding circumstances, have undergone such treatment or procedure had he or she been advised by the physician, osteopathic physician, chiropractic physician, podiatric physician, dentist, advanced registered nurse practitioner, or physician assistant in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (a).

384 Section 12. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment 385 made by this act to section 465.003, Florida Statutes, in a 386 reference thereto, paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 387 409.9201, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

- 388 409.9201 Medicaid fraud.-
- 389 (1) As used in this section, the term:
- 390 (a) "Prescription drug" means any drug, including, but not

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391 limited to, finished dosage forms or active ingredients that are 392 subject to, defined in, or described in s. 503(b) of the Federal 393 Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act or in s. 465.003(8), s. 394 499.003(52), s. 499.007(13), or s. 499.82(10).

396 The value of individual items of the legend drugs or goods or 397 services involved in distinct transactions committed during a 398 single scheme or course of conduct, whether involving a single 399 person or several persons, may be aggregated when determining 400 the punishment for the offense.

401 Section 13. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment 402 made by this act to section 465.003, Florida Statutes, in a 403 reference thereto, subsection (1) of section 465.014, Florida 404 Statutes, is reenacted to read:

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465.014 Pharmacy technician.-

406 A person other than a licensed pharmacist or pharmacy (1)intern may not engage in the practice of the profession of 407 408 pharmacy, except that a licensed pharmacist may delegate to 409 pharmacy technicians who are registered pursuant to this section those duties, tasks, and functions that do not fall within the 410 purview of s. 465.003(13). All such delegated acts must be 411 performed under the direct supervision of a licensed pharmacist 412 413 who is responsible for all such acts performed by persons under 414 his or her supervision. A registered pharmacy technician, under 415 the supervision of a pharmacist, may initiate or receive communications with a practitioner or his or her agent, on 416

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417 behalf of a patient, regarding refill authorization requests. A 418 licensed pharmacist may not supervise more than one registered 419 pharmacy technician unless otherwise permitted by the guidelines 420 adopted by the board. The board shall establish guidelines to be 421 followed by licensees or permittees in determining the 422 circumstances under which a licensed pharmacist may supervise 423 more than one pharmacy technician.

Section 14. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 465.003, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, section 465.1901, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

428 465.1901 Practice of orthotics and pedorthics.-The 429 provisions of chapter 468 relating to orthotics or pedorthics do 430 not apply to any licensed pharmacist or to any person acting 431 under the supervision of a licensed pharmacist. The practice of 432 orthotics or pedorthics by a pharmacist or any of the pharmacist's employees acting under the supervision of a 433 434 pharmacist shall be construed to be within the meaning of the 435 term "practice of the profession of pharmacy" as set forth in s. 436 465.003(13), and shall be subject to regulation in the same 437 manner as any other pharmacy practice. The Board of Pharmacy shall develop rules regarding the practice of orthotics and 438 439 pedorthics by a pharmacist. Any pharmacist or person under the 440 supervision of a pharmacist engaged in the practice of orthotics 441 or pedorthics is not precluded from continuing that practice pending adoption of these rules. 442

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443 Section 15. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment 444 made by this act to section 465.003, Florida Statutes, in a 445 reference thereto, subsection (43) of section 499.003, Florida 446 Statutes, is reenacted to read:

447 499.003 Definitions of terms used in this part.—As used in 448 this part, the term:

449 (43) "Prescription drug" means a prescription, medicinal, 450 or legend drug, including, but not limited to, finished dosage 451 forms or active pharmaceutical ingredients subject to, defined 452 by, or described by s. 503(b) of the federal act or s. 465.003(8), s. 499.007(13), subsection (32), or subsection (52), 453 454 except that an active pharmaceutical ingredient is a 455 prescription drug only if substantially all finished dosage 456 forms in which it may be lawfully dispensed or administered in 457 this state are also prescription drugs.

458 Section 16. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment 459 made by this act to section 465.003, Florida Statutes, in a 460 reference thereto, subsection (1) of section 831.30, Florida 461 Statutes, is reenacted to read:

462 831.30 Medicinal drugs; fraud in obtaining.-Whoever:
463 (1) Falsely makes, alters, or forges any prescription, as
464 defined in s. 465.003, for a medicinal drug other than a drug

465 controlled by chapter 893;

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467 with intent to obtain such drug commits a misdemeanor of the468 second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s.

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469 775.083. A second or subsequent conviction constitutes a
470 misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s.
471 775.082 or s. 775.083.

472 Section 17. For the purpose of incorporating the 473 amendments made by this act to sections 465.003 and 893.02, 474 Florida Statutes, in references thereto, paragraph (pp) of 475 subsection (1) of section 458.331, Florida Statutes, is 476 reenacted to read:

477 458.331 Grounds for disciplinary action; action by the478 board and department.-

479 (1) The following acts constitute grounds for denial of a
480 license or disciplinary action, as specified in s. 456.072(2):

(pp) Applicable to a licensee who serves as the designated physician of a pain-management clinic as defined in s. 458.3265 or s. 459.0137:

484 1. Registering a pain-management clinic through 485 misrepresentation or fraud;

2. Procuring, or attempting to procure, the registration
of a pain-management clinic for any other person by making or
causing to be made, any false representation;

489 3. Failing to comply with any requirement of chapter 499,
490 the Florida Drug and Cosmetic Act; 21 U.S.C. ss. 301-392, the
491 Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act; 21 U.S.C. ss. 821 et seq.,
492 the Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Act; or chapter 893, the
493 Florida Comprehensive Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Act;
494 4. Being convicted or found guilty of, regardless of

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495 adjudication to, a felony or any other crime involving moral 496 turpitude, fraud, dishonesty, or deceit in any jurisdiction of 497 the courts of this state, of any other state, or of the United 498 States;

5. Being convicted of, or disciplined by a regulatory agency of the Federal Government or a regulatory agency of another state for, any offense that would constitute a violation of this chapter;

6. Being convicted of, or entering a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to, regardless of adjudication, a crime in any jurisdiction of the courts of this state, of any other state, or of the United States which relates to the practice of, or the ability to practice, a licensed health care profession;

508 7. Being convicted of, or entering a plea of guilty or 509 nolo contendere to, regardless of adjudication, a crime in any 510 jurisdiction of the courts of this state, of any other state, or 511 of the United States which relates to health care fraud;

8. Dispensing any medicinal drug based upon a communication that purports to be a prescription as defined in s. 465.003(14) or s. 893.02 if the dispensing practitioner knows or has reason to believe that the purported prescription is not based upon a valid practitioner-patient relationship; or

517 9. Failing to timely notify the board of the date of his
518 or her termination from a pain-management clinic as required by
519 s. 458.3265(2).

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amendments made by this act to sections 465.003 and 893.02, Florida Statutes, in references thereto, paragraph (rr) of subsection (1) of section 459.015, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

525 459.015 Grounds for disciplinary action; action by the 526 board and department.-

527 (1) The following acts constitute grounds for denial of a
528 license or disciplinary action, as specified in s. 456.072(2):

(rr) Applicable to a licensee who serves as the designated physician of a pain-management clinic as defined in s. 458.3265 or s. 459.0137:

532 1. Registering a pain-management clinic through533 misrepresentation or fraud;

2. Procuring, or attempting to procure, the registration of a pain-management clinic for any other person by making or causing to be made, any false representation;

3. Failing to comply with any requirement of chapter 499, the Florida Drug and Cosmetic Act; 21 U.S.C. ss. 301-392, the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act; 21 U.S.C. ss. 821 et seq., the Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Act; or chapter 893, the Florida Comprehensive Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Act;

4. Being convicted or found guilty of, regardless of adjudication to, a felony or any other crime involving moral turpitude, fraud, dishonesty, or deceit in any jurisdiction of the courts of this state, of any other state, or of the United States;

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547 5. Being convicted of, or disciplined by a regulatory 548 agency of the Federal Government or a regulatory agency of 549 another state for, any offense that would constitute a violation 550 of this chapter;

551 6. Being convicted of, or entering a plea of guilty or 552 nolo contendere to, regardless of adjudication, a crime in any 553 jurisdiction of the courts of this state, of any other state, or 554 of the United States which relates to the practice of, or the 555 ability to practice, a licensed health care profession;

556 7. Being convicted of, or entering a plea of guilty or 557 nolo contendere to, regardless of adjudication, a crime in any 558 jurisdiction of the courts of this state, of any other state, or 559 of the United States which relates to health care fraud;

560 8. Dispensing any medicinal drug based upon a 561 communication that purports to be a prescription as defined in 562 s. 465.003(14) or s. 893.02 if the dispensing practitioner knows 563 or has reason to believe that the purported prescription is not 564 based upon a valid practitioner-patient relationship; or

565 9. Failing to timely notify the board of the date of his 566 or her termination from a pain-management clinic as required by 567 s. 459.0137(2).

568 Section 19. For the purpose of incorporating the 569 amendments made by this act to sections 465.003 and 893.02, 570 Florida Statutes, in references thereto, paragraph (c) of 571 subsection (2) and subsection (3) of section 465.015, Florida 572 Statutes, are reenacted to read:

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573465.015Violations and penalties.-574(2)It is unlawful for any person:

575 (c) To sell or dispense drugs as defined in s. 465.003(8)
576 without first being furnished with a prescription.

577 It is unlawful for any pharmacist to knowingly fail to (3) 578 report to the sheriff or other chief law enforcement agency of 579 the county where the pharmacy is located within 24 hours after 580 learning of any instance in which a person obtained or attempted 581 to obtain a controlled substance, as defined in s. 893.02, or at 582 the close of business on the next business day, whichever is later, that the pharmacist knew or believed was obtained or 583 584 attempted to be obtained through fraudulent methods or 585 representations from the pharmacy at which the pharmacist 586 practiced pharmacy. Any pharmacist who knowingly fails to make 587 such a report within 24 hours after learning of the fraud or 588 attempted fraud or at the close of business on the next business 589 day, whichever is later, commits a misdemeanor of the first 590 degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083. A 591 sufficient report of the fraudulent obtaining of controlled 592 substances under this subsection must contain, at a minimum, a 593 copy of the prescription used or presented and a narrative, 594 including all information available to the pharmacist concerning 595 the transaction, such as the name and telephone number of the prescribing physician; the name, description, and any personal 596 597 identification information pertaining to the person who 598 presented the prescription; and all other material information,

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599 such as photographic or video surveillance of the transaction. 600 Section 20. For the purpose of incorporating the 601 amendments made by this act to sections 465.003 and 893.02, 602 Florida Statutes, in references thereto, paragraph (s) of subsection (1) of section 465.016, Florida Statutes, is 603 604 reenacted to read: 605 465.016 Disciplinary actions.-606 The following acts constitute grounds for denial of a (1)607 license or disciplinary action, as specified in s. 456.072(2): 608 (s) Dispensing any medicinal drug based upon a 609 communication that purports to be a prescription as defined by 610 s. 465.003(14) or s. 893.02 when the pharmacist knows or has 611 reason to believe that the purported prescription is not based 612 upon a valid practitioner-patient relationship. 613 Section 21. For the purpose of incorporating the 614 amendments made by this act to sections 465.003 and 893.02, 615 Florida Statutes, in references thereto, paragraph (j) of 616 subsection (5) of section 465.022, Florida Statutes, is 617 reenacted to read: 465.022 Pharmacies; general requirements; fees.-618 619 The department or board shall deny an application for (5) a pharmacy permit if the applicant or an affiliated person, 620 621 partner, officer, director, or prescription department manager 622 or consultant pharmacist of record of the applicant: 623 Has dispensed any medicinal drug based upon a (j) 624 communication that purports to be a prescription as defined by Page 24 of 40

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625 s. 465.003(14) or s. 893.02 when the pharmacist knows or has 626 reason to believe that the purported prescription is not based upon a valid practitioner-patient relationship that includes a 627 628 documented patient evaluation, including history and a physical examination adequate to establish the diagnosis for which any 629 630 drug is prescribed and any other requirement established by 631 board rule under chapter 458, chapter 459, chapter 461, chapter 632 463, chapter 464, or chapter 466.

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For felonies in which the defendant entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere in an agreement with the court to enter a pretrial intervention or drug diversion program, the department shall deny the application if upon final resolution of the case the licensee has failed to successfully complete the program.

Section 22. For the purpose of incorporating the
amendments made by this act to sections 465.003 and 893.02,
Florida Statutes, in references thereto, paragraph (h) of
subsection (1) of section 465.023, Florida Statutes, is
reenacted to read:

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465.023 Pharmacy permittee; disciplinary action.-

(1) The department or the board may revoke or suspend the
permit of any pharmacy permittee, and may fine, place on
probation, or otherwise discipline any pharmacy permittee if the
permittee, or any affiliated person, partner, officer, director,
or agent of the permittee, including a person fingerprinted
under s. 465.022(3), has:

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651 (h) Dispensed any medicinal drug based upon a 652 communication that purports to be a prescription as defined by 653 s. 465.003(14) or s. 893.02 when the pharmacist knows or has 654 reason to believe that the purported prescription is not based 655 upon a valid practitioner-patient relationship that includes a 656 documented patient evaluation, including history and a physical 657 examination adequate to establish the diagnosis for which any 658 drug is prescribed and any other requirement established by 659 board rule under chapter 458, chapter 459, chapter 461, chapter 463, chapter 464, or chapter 466. 660

Section 23. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment
made by this act to section 893.02, Florida Statutes, in a
reference thereto, paragraph (i) of subsection (5) of section
112.0455, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

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112.0455 Drug-Free Workplace Act.-

666 (5) DEFINITIONS.-Except where the context otherwise667 requires, as used in this act:

(i) "Prescription or nonprescription medication" means a
drug or medication obtained pursuant to a prescription as
defined by s. 893.02 or a medication that is authorized pursuant
to federal or state law for general distribution and use without
a prescription in the treatment of human diseases, ailments, or
injuries.

674 Section 24. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment 675 made by this act to section 893.02, Florida Statutes, in a 676 reference thereto, paragraph (b) of subsection (7) of section

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677 381.986, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

381.986 Compassionate use of low-THC cannabis.-

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(7) EXCEPTIONS TO OTHER LAWS.-

680 Notwithstanding s. 893.13, s. 893.135, s. 893.147, or (b) any other provision of law, but subject to the requirements of 681 682 this section, an approved dispensing organization and its 683 owners, managers, and employees may manufacture, possess, sell, 684 deliver, distribute, dispense, and lawfully dispose of 685 reasonable quantities, as established by department rule, of 686 low-THC cannabis. For purposes of this subsection, the terms "manufacture," "possession," "deliver," "distribute," and 687 688 "dispense" have the same meanings as provided in s. 893.02.

689 Section 25. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment 690 made by this act to section 893.02, Florida Statutes, in a 691 reference thereto, paragraph (1) of subsection (1) of section 692 440.102, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

693 440.102 Drug-free workplace program requirements.—The
694 following provisions apply to a drug-free workplace program
695 implemented pursuant to law or to rules adopted by the Agency
696 for Health Care Administration:

697 (1) DEFINITIONS.-Except where the context otherwise698 requires, as used in this act:

(1) "Prescription or nonprescription medication" means a
drug or medication obtained pursuant to a prescription as
defined by s. 893.02 or a medication that is authorized pursuant
to federal or state law for general distribution and use without

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703 a prescription in the treatment of human diseases, ailments, or 704 injuries.

Section 26. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 893.02, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, subsection (14) of section 499.0121, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

499.0121 Storage and handling of prescription drugs; recordkeeping.—The department shall adopt rules to implement this section as necessary to protect the public health, safety, and welfare. Such rules shall include, but not be limited to, requirements for the storage and handling of prescription drugs and for the establishment and maintenance of prescription drug distribution records.

716 (14) DISTRIBUTION REPORTING.-Each prescription drug 717 wholesale distributor, out-of-state prescription drug wholesale 718 distributor, retail pharmacy drug wholesale distributor, 719 manufacturer, or repackager that engages in the wholesale 720 distribution of controlled substances as defined in s. 893.02 721 shall submit a report to the department of its receipts and 722 distributions of controlled substances listed in Schedule II, Schedule III, Schedule IV, or Schedule V as provided in s. 723 724 893.03. Wholesale distributor facilities located within this 725 state shall report all transactions involving controlled 726 substances, and wholesale distributor facilities located outside 727 this state shall report all distributions to entities located in this state. If the prescription drug wholesale distributor, out-728

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729 of-state prescription drug wholesale distributor, retail 730 pharmacy drug wholesale distributor, manufacturer, or repackager 731 does not have any controlled substance distributions for the 732 month, a report shall be sent indicating that no distributions 733 occurred in the period. The report shall be submitted monthly by 734 the 20th of the next month, in the electronic format used for 735 controlled substance reporting to the Automation of Reports and 736 Consolidated Orders System division of the federal Drug Enforcement Administration. Submission of electronic data must 737 738 be made in a secured Internet environment that allows for manual 739 or automated transmission. Upon successful transmission, an 740 acknowledgment page must be displayed to confirm receipt. The 741 report must contain the following information:

(a) The federal Drug Enforcement Administrationregistration number of the wholesale distributing location.

(b) The federal Drug Enforcement Administration
registration number of the entity to which the drugs are
distributed or from which the drugs are received.

747 (c) The transaction code that indicates the type of748 transaction.

(d) The National Drug Code identifier of the product andthe quantity distributed or received.

(e) The Drug Enforcement Administration Form 222 number or
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II transactions.

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(f) The date of the transaction.

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756	The department must share the reported data with the Department
757	of Law Enforcement and local law enforcement agencies upon
758	request and must monitor purchasing to identify purchasing
759	levels that are inconsistent with the purchasing entity's
760	clinical needs. The Department of Law Enforcement shall
761	investigate purchases at levels that are inconsistent with the
762	purchasing entity's clinical needs to determine whether
763	violations of chapter 893 have occurred.
764	Section 27. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment
765	made by this act to section 893.02, Florida Statutes, in a
766	reference thereto, paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section
767	768.36, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:
768	768.36 Alcohol or drug defense
769	(1) As used in this section, the term:
770	(b) "Drug" means any chemical substance set forth in s.
771	877.111 or any substance controlled under chapter 893. The term
772	does not include any drug or medication obtained pursuant to a
773	prescription as defined in s. 893.02 which was taken in
774	accordance with the prescription, or any medication that is
775	authorized under state or federal law for general distribution
776	and use without a prescription in treating human diseases,
777	ailments, or injuries and that was taken in the recommended
778	dosage.
779	Section 28. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment
780	made by this act to section 893.02, Florida Statutes, in a
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781 reference thereto, paragraph (f) of subsection (3) of section782 810.02, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

810.02 Burglary.-

(3) Burglary is a felony of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084, if, in the course of committing the offense, the offender does not make an assault or battery and is not and does not become armed with a dangerous weapon or explosive, and the offender enters or remains in a:

790 Structure or conveyance when the offense intended to (f) 791 be committed therein is theft of a controlled substance as 792 defined in s. 893.02. Notwithstanding any other law, separate 793 judgments and sentences for burglary with the intent to commit 794 theft of a controlled substance under this paragraph and for any 795 applicable possession of controlled substance offense under s. 796 893.13 or trafficking in controlled substance offense under s. 797 893.135 may be imposed when all such offenses involve the same amount or amounts of a controlled substance. 798

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However, if the burglary is committed within a county that is subject to a state of emergency declared by the Governor under chapter 252 after the declaration of emergency is made and the perpetration of the burglary is facilitated by conditions arising from the emergency, the burglary is a felony of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084. As used in this subsection, the term "conditions

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arising from the emergency" means civil unrest, power outages, 807 808 curfews, voluntary or mandatory evacuations, or a reduction in 809 the presence of or response time for first responders or 810 homeland security personnel. A person arrested for committing a burglary within a county that is subject to such a state of 811 emergency may not be released until the person appears before a 812 813 committing magistrate at a first appearance hearing. For 814 purposes of sentencing under chapter 921, a felony offense that 815 is reclassified under this subsection is ranked one level above the ranking under s. 921.0022 or s. 921.0023 of the offense 816 committed. 817

Section 29. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 893.02, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, paragraph (c) of subsection (2) of section 812.014, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

- 822 812.014 Theft.-
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824 It is grand theft of the third degree and a felony of (C) 825 the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084, if the property stolen is: 826 827 1. Valued at \$300 or more, but less than \$5,000. Valued at \$5,000 or more, but less than \$10,000. 828 2. 829 3. Valued at \$10,000 or more, but less than \$20,000. 830 A will, codicil, or other testamentary instrument. 4. 831 5. A firearm. 832 A motor vehicle, except as provided in paragraph (a). 6. Page 32 of 40

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833	7. Any commercially farmed animal, including any animal of
834	the equine, bovine, or swine class or other grazing animal; a
835	bee colony of a registered beekeeper; and aquaculture species
836	raised at a certified aquaculture facility. If the property
837	stolen is aquaculture species raised at a certified aquaculture
838	facility, then a \$10,000 fine shall be imposed.
839	8. Any fire extinguisher.
840	9. Any amount of citrus fruit consisting of 2,000 or more
841	individual pieces of fruit.
842	10. Taken from a designated construction site identified
843	by the posting of a sign as provided for in s. 810.09(2)(d).
844	11. Any stop sign.
845	12. Anhydrous ammonia.
846	13. Any amount of a controlled substance as defined in s.
847	893.02. Notwithstanding any other law, separate judgments and
848	sentences for theft of a controlled substance under this
849	subparagraph and for any applicable possession of controlled
850	substance offense under s. 893.13 or trafficking in controlled
851	substance offense under s. 893.135 may be imposed when all such
852	offenses involve the same amount or amounts of a controlled
853	substance.
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855	However, if the property is stolen within a county that is
856	subject to a state of emergency declared by the Governor under
857	chapter 252, the property is stolen after the declaration of
858	emergency is made, and the perpetration of the theft is
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859 facilitated by conditions arising from the emergency, the 860 offender commits a felony of the second degree, punishable as 861 provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084, if the 862 property is valued at \$5,000 or more, but less than \$10,000, as provided under subparagraph 2., or if the property is valued at 863 864 \$10,000 or more, but less than \$20,000, as provided under 865 subparagraph 3. As used in this paragraph, the term "conditions 866 arising from the emergency" means civil unrest, power outages, 867 curfews, voluntary or mandatory evacuations, or a reduction in 868 the presence of or the response time for first responders or 869 homeland security personnel. For purposes of sentencing under 870 chapter 921, a felony offense that is reclassified under this 871 paragraph is ranked one level above the ranking under s. 872 921.0022 or s. 921.0023 of the offense committed.

Section 30. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 893.02, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section 876 856.015, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

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856.015 Open house parties.-

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(1) Definitions.-As used in this section:

879 (c) "Drug" means a controlled substance, as that term is 880 defined in ss. 893.02(4) and 893.03.

Section 31. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 893.02, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 944.47, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

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885 944.47 Introduction, removal, or possession of certain 886 articles unlawful; penalty.-

(1) (a) Except through regular channels as authorized by the officer in charge of the correctional institution, it is unlawful to introduce into or upon the grounds of any state correctional institution, or to take or attempt to take or send or attempt to send therefrom, any of the following articles which are hereby declared to be contraband for the purposes of this section, to wit:

1. Any written or recorded communication or any currency or coin given or transmitted, or intended to be given or transmitted, to any inmate of any state correctional institution.

898 2. Any article of food or clothing given or transmitted,
899 or intended to be given or transmitted, to any inmate of any
900 state correctional institution.

3. Any intoxicating beverage or beverage which causes ormay cause an intoxicating effect.

4. Any controlled substance as defined in s. 893.02(4) or
any prescription or nonprescription drug having a hypnotic,
stimulating, or depressing effect.

906 5. Any firearm or weapon of any kind or any explosive907 substance.

908 6. Any cellular telephone or other portable communication
909 device intentionally and unlawfully introduced inside the secure
910 perimeter of any state correctional institution without prior

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authorization or consent from the officer in charge of such 911 912 correctional institution. As used in this subparagraph, the term "portable communication device" means any device carried, worn, 913 914 or stored which is designed or intended to receive or transmit 915 verbal or written messages, access or store data, or connect 916 electronically to the Internet or any other electronic device 917 and which allows communications in any form. Such devices 918 include, but are not limited to, portable two-way pagers, hand-919 held radios, cellular telephones, Blackberry-type devices, 920 personal digital assistants or PDA's, laptop computers, or any components of these devices which are intended to be used to 921 922 assemble such devices. The term also includes any new technology 923 that is developed for similar purposes. Excluded from this 924 definition is any device having communication capabilities which 925 has been approved or issued by the department for investigative 926 or institutional security purposes or for conducting other state 927 business.

928 Section 32. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment 929 made by this act to section 893.02, Florida Statutes, in a 930 reference thereto, subsection (1) of section 951.22, Florida 931 Statutes, is reenacted to read:

932 951.22 County detention facilities; contraband articles.933 (1) It is unlawful, except through regular channels as
934 duly authorized by the sheriff or officer in charge, to
935 introduce into or possess upon the grounds of any county
936 detention facility as defined in s. 951.23 or to give to or

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937 receive from any inmate of any such facility wherever said 938 inmate is located at the time or to take or to attempt to take 939 or send therefrom any of the following articles which are hereby 940 declared to be contraband for the purposes of this act, to wit: Any written or recorded communication; any currency or coin; any 941 article of food or clothing; any tobacco products as defined in 942 943 s. 210.25(11); any cigarette as defined in s. 210.01(1); any 944 cigar; any intoxicating beverage or beverage which causes or may cause an intoxicating effect; any narcotic, hypnotic, or 945 946 excitative drug or drug of any kind or nature, including nasal inhalators, sleeping pills, barbiturates, and controlled 947 substances as defined in s. 893.02(4); any firearm or any 948 949 instrumentality customarily used or which is intended to be used 950 as a dangerous weapon; and any instrumentality of any nature 951 that may be or is intended to be used as an aid in effecting or 952 attempting to effect an escape from a county facility.

953 Section 33. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment 954 made by this act to section 893.02, Florida Statutes, in a 955 reference thereto, paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 956 985.711, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

957 985.711 Introduction, removal, or possession of certain 958 articles unlawful; penalty.-

959 (1)(a) Except as authorized through program policy or 960 operating procedure or as authorized by the facility 961 superintendent, program director, or manager, a person may not 962 introduce into or upon the grounds of a juvenile detention

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963 facility or commitment program, or take or send, or attempt to 964 take or send, from a juvenile detention facility or commitment 965 program, any of the following articles, which are declared to be 966 contraband under this section:

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1. Any unauthorized article of food or clothing.

968 2. Any intoxicating beverage or any beverage that causes969 or may cause an intoxicating effect.

3. Any controlled substance, as defined in s. 893.02(4),
or any prescription or nonprescription drug that has a hypnotic,
stimulating, or depressing effect.

973 4. Any firearm or weapon of any kind or any explosive974 substance.

975 Section 34. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment 976 made by this act to section 893.02, Florida Statutes, in a 977 reference thereto, paragraph (i) of subsection (1) of section 978 1003.57, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

1003.57 Exceptional students instruction.-

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(i) For purposes of paragraph (h), the term:

982 1. "Controlled substance" means a drug or other substance 983 identified under Schedule I, Schedule II, Schedule III, Schedule 984 IV, or Schedule V of the Controlled Substances Act, 21 U.S.C. s. 985 812(c) and s. 893.02(4).

986 2. "Weapon" means a device, instrument, material, or 987 substance, animate or inanimate, which is used for, or is 988 readily capable of, causing death or serious bodily injury;

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989 however, this definition does not include a pocketknife having a 990 blade that is less than 2 1/2 inches in length.

991 Section 35. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment 992 made by this act to section 893.02, Florida Statutes, in a 993 reference thereto, subsection (8) of section 1006.09, Florida 994 Statutes, is reenacted to read:

995 1006.09 Duties of school principal relating to student 996 discipline and school safety.-

997 (8) The school principal shall require all school 998 personnel to report to the principal or principal's designee any 999 suspected unlawful use, possession, or sale by a student of any 1000 controlled substance, as defined in s. 893.02; any counterfeit 1001 controlled substance, as defined in s. 831.31; any alcoholic beverage, as defined in s. 561.01(4); or model glue. School 1002 personnel are exempt from civil liability when reporting in good 1003 1004 faith to the proper school authority such suspected unlawful 1005 use, possession, or sale by a student. Only a principal or 1006 principal's designee is authorized to contact a parent or legal 1007 guardian of a student regarding this situation. Reports made and verified under this subsection shall be forwarded to an 1008 1009 appropriate agency. The principal or principal's designee shall timely notify the student's parent that a verified report made 1010 1011 under this subsection with respect to the student has been made 1012 and forwarded.

1013Section 36. For the purpose of incorporating the1014amendments made by this act to sections 893.04 and 893.05,

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1015 Florida Statutes, in references thereto, paragraphs (d) and (e) 1016 of subsection (3) of section 893.0551, Florida Statutes, are 1017 reenacted to read:

1018 893.0551 Public records exemption for the prescription 1019 drug monitoring program.-

1020 (3) The department shall disclose such confidential and 1021 exempt information to the following persons or entities upon 1022 request and after using a verification process to ensure the 1023 legitimacy of the request as provided in s. 893.055:

(d) A health care practitioner who certifies that the
information is necessary to provide medical treatment to a
current patient in accordance with ss. 893.05 and 893.055.

(e) A pharmacist who certifies that the requested
information will be used to dispense controlled substances to a
current patient in accordance with ss. 893.04 and 893.055.
Section 37. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016.

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