

Committee on Commerce and Tourism

CS/HB 179 — Florida Kratom Consumer Protection Act

by Regulatory Reform and Economic Development Subcommittee and Rep. Andrade and others (CS/CS/SB 136 by Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; Commerce and Tourism Committee; and Senators Gruters, Stewart, and Perry)

The bill creates the Florida Kratom Consumer Protection Act, which makes it unlawful to sell, deliver, barter, furnish, or give, directly or indirectly, any kratom product to a person under 21 years of age. A violation is a second degree misdemeanor, punishable by up to 60 days in jail and a fine of up to \$500. The Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services must adopt rules to administer the act.

If approved by the Governor, or allowed to become law without the Governor's signature, these provisions take effect July 1, 2023.

Vote: Senate 40-0; House 114-0