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An act relating to public health; amending s. 381.006, F.S.; expanding application of the environmental health program of the Department of Health to all parts of state institutions for the mentally ill rather than just those used for the incarceration of prisoners and inmates; amending s. 381.86, F.S.; revising responsibilities of the Institutional Review Board; repealing s. 381.85, F.S., the Florida Biomedical and Social Research Act; repealing s. 381.895, F.S., relating to standards for compressed air used for recreational diving; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Subsection (6) of section 381.006, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

381.006 Environmental health. -- The department shall conduct an environmental health program as part of fulfilling the state's public health mission. The purpose of this program is to detect and prevent disease caused by natural and manmade factors in the environment. The environmental health program shall include, but not be limited to:

A public facilities function, including sanitary practices relating to state, county, municipal, and private institutions serving the public; jointly with the Department of Education, publicly and privately owned schools; all places used for the incarceration of prisoners and inmates of state institutions for the mentally ill; toilets and washrooms in all public places and places of employment; any other condition,

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place, or establishment necessary for the control of disease or the protection and safety of public health.

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The department may adopt rules to carry out the provisions of this section.

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Section 2. Subsection (1) of section 381.86, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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381.86 Institutional Review Board. --

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(1) The Institutional Review Board is created within the Department of Health in order to satisfy federal requirements under 45 C.F.R. part 46 and 21 C.F.R. parts 50 and 56 that an institutional review board review all biomedical and behavioral research on human subjects which is funded or supported in any

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manner by the department.

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Section 3. <u>Sections 381.85 and 381.895</u>, Florida Statutes, are repealed.

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Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008.