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their operators; providing for training for law enforcement officials who are likely to encounter sexually exploited children; amending s. 796.07, F.S.; providing for an increased civil penalty for soliciting another to commit prostitution or related acts; providing for disposition of proceeds; amending s. 960.065, F.S.; allowing victim compensation for sexually exploited children; amending s. 985.115, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending ss. 985.145 and 985.15, F.S.; providing a presumption against filing a delinquency petition for certain prostitution-related offenses in certain circumstances; providing severability; providing effective dates.

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

Section 1. Paragraph (i) of subsection (2), paragraphs (a), (e), (g), (i), and (j) of subsection (6), paragraph (a) of subsection (8), and paragraph (a) of subsection (10) of section 775.21, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

775.21 The Florida Sexual Predators Act.-

- (2) DEFINITIONS.—As used in this section, the term:
- (i) "Internet identifier Instant message name" means all electronic mail, chat, instant messenger, social networking, or similar name used for Internet communication, but does not include a date of birth, social security number, or personal identification number (PIN) an identifier that allows a person to communicate in real time with another person using the

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- 113 Internet. Voluntary disclosure by the sexual predator of his or
  114 her date of birth, social security number, or personal
  115 identification number (PIN) as an Internet identifier waives the
  116 disclosure exemption in this paragraph for such personal
  117 information.
  - (6) REGISTRATION. -
  - (a) A sexual predator must register with the department through the sheriff's office by providing the following information to the department:
  - Name; social security number; age; race; sex; date of birth; height; weight; hair and eye color; photograph; address of legal residence and address of any current temporary residence, within the state or out of state, including a rural route address and a post office box; if no permanent or temporary address, any transient residence within the state; address, location or description, and dates of any current or known future temporary residence within the state or out of state; all any electronic mail addresses address and all Internet identifiers any instant message name required to be provided pursuant to subparagraph (g) 4.; all home telephone numbers number and any cellular telephone numbers number; date and place of any employment; date and place of each conviction; fingerprints; and a brief description of the crime or crimes committed by the offender. A post office box shall not be provided in lieu of a physical residential address. The sexual predator must also produce or provide information about his or her passport, if he or she has a passport, and, if he or she is an alien, must produce or provide information about documents

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### establishing his or her immigration status.

- a. If the sexual predator's place of residence is a motor vehicle, trailer, mobile home, or manufactured home, as defined in chapter 320, the sexual predator shall also provide to the department written notice of the vehicle identification number; the license tag number; the registration number; and a description, including color scheme, of the motor vehicle, trailer, mobile home, or manufactured home. If a sexual predator's place of residence is a vessel, live-aboard vessel, or houseboat, as defined in chapter 327, the sexual predator shall also provide to the department written notice of the hull identification number; the manufacturer's serial number; the name of the vessel, live-aboard vessel, or houseboat; the registration number; and a description, including color scheme, of the vessel, live-aboard vessel, or houseboat.
- b. If the sexual predator is enrolled, employed, or carrying on a vocation at an institution of higher education in this state, the sexual predator shall also provide to the department the name, address, and county of each institution, including each campus attended, and the sexual predator's enrollment or employment status. Each change in enrollment or employment status shall be reported in person at the sheriff's office, or the Department of Corrections if the sexual predator is in the custody or control of or under the supervision of the Department of Corrections, within 48 hours after any change in status. The sheriff or the Department of Corrections shall promptly notify each institution of the sexual predator's presence and any change in the sexual predator's enrollment or

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169 employment status.

- 2. Any other information determined necessary by the department, including criminal and corrections records; nonprivileged personnel and treatment records; and evidentiary genetic markers when available.
- (e)1. If the sexual predator is not in the custody or control of, or under the supervision of, the Department of Corrections or is not in the custody of a private correctional facility, the sexual predator shall register in person:
- a. At the sheriff's office in the county where he or she establishes or maintains a residence within 48 hours after establishing or maintaining a residence in this state; and
- b. At the sheriff's office in the county where he or she was designated a sexual predator by the court within 48 hours after such finding is made.
- 2. Any change in the sexual predator's permanent or temporary residence, name, or all any electronic mail addresses address and all Internet identifiers any instant message name required to be provided pursuant to subparagraph (g) 4., after the sexual predator registers in person at the sheriff's office as provided in subparagraph 1., shall be accomplished in the manner provided in paragraphs (g), (i), and (j). When a sexual predator registers with the sheriff's office, the sheriff shall take a photograph and a set of fingerprints of the predator and forward the photographs and fingerprints to the department, along with the information that the predator is required to provide pursuant to this section.
  - (g)1. Each time a sexual predator's driver's license or

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identification card is subject to renewal, and, without regard to the status of the predator's driver's license or identification card, within 48 hours after any change of the predator's residence or change in the predator's name by reason of marriage or other legal process, the predator shall report in person to a driver's license office and shall be subject to the requirements specified in paragraph (f). The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles shall forward to the department and to the Department of Corrections all photographs and information provided by sexual predators. Notwithstanding the restrictions set forth in s. 322.142, the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles is authorized to release a reproduction of a color-photograph or digital-image license to the Department of Law Enforcement for purposes of public notification of sexual predators as provided in this section. A sexual predator who is unable to secure or update a driver's license or identification card with the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles as provided in paragraph (f) and this paragraph must also report any change of the predator's residence or change in the predator's name by reason of marriage or other legal process within 48 hours after the change to the sheriff's office in the county where the predator resides or is located and provide confirmation that he or she reported such information to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles.

2. A sexual predator who vacates a permanent, temporary, or transient residence and fails to establish or maintain another permanent, temporary, or transient residence shall,

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- within 48 hours after vacating the permanent, temporary, or transient residence, report in person to the sheriff's office of the county in which he or she is located. The sexual predator shall specify the date upon which he or she intends to or did vacate such residence. The sexual predator must provide or update all of the registration information required under paragraph (a). The sexual predator must provide an address for the residence or other place that he or she is or will be located during the time in which he or she fails to establish or maintain a permanent or temporary residence.
- 3. A sexual predator who remains at a permanent, temporary, or transient residence after reporting his or her intent to vacate such residence shall, within 48 hours after the date upon which the predator indicated he or she would or did vacate such residence, report in person to the sheriff's office to which he or she reported pursuant to subparagraph 2. for the purpose of reporting his or her address at such residence. When the sheriff receives the report, the sheriff shall promptly convey the information to the department. An offender who makes a report as required under subparagraph 2. but fails to make a report as required under this subparagraph commits a felony of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.
- 4. A sexual predator must register <u>all</u> <u>any</u> electronic mail <u>addresses and Internet identifiers</u> <u>address or instant message</u> name with the department prior to using such electronic mail <u>addresses and Internet identifiers</u> <u>address or instant message</u> name on or after October 1, 2007. The department shall establish

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an online system through which sexual predators may securely access and update all electronic mail address and <a href="Internet">Internet</a> identifier instant message name information.

- (i) A sexual predator who intends to establish a permanent, temporary, or transient residence in another state or jurisdiction other than the State of Florida shall report in person to the sheriff of the county of current residence within 48 hours before the date he or she intends to leave this state to establish residence in another state or jurisdiction or within 21 days before his or her planned departure date if the intended residence of 7 days or more is outside of the United States. The sexual predator must provide to the sheriff the address, municipality, county, and state, and country of intended residence. The sheriff shall promptly provide to the department the information received from the sexual predator. The department shall notify the statewide law enforcement agency, or a comparable agency, in the intended state, or jurisdiction, or country of residence of the sexual predator's intended residence. The failure of a sexual predator to provide his or her intended place of residence is punishable as provided in subsection (10).
- (j) A sexual predator who indicates his or her intent to establish a permanent, temporary, or transient residence in another state, a or jurisdiction other than the State of Florida, or another country and later decides to remain in this state shall, within 48 hours after the date upon which the sexual predator indicated he or she would leave this state, report in person to the sheriff to which the sexual predator

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reported the intended change of residence, and report his or her intent to remain in this state. If the sheriff is notified by the sexual predator that he or she intends to remain in this state, the sheriff shall promptly report this information to the department. A sexual predator who reports his or her intent to establish a permanent, temporary, or transient residence in another state, a or jurisdiction other than the State of Florida, or another country, but who remains in this state without reporting to the sheriff in the manner required by this paragraph, commits a felony of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

VERIFICATION.—The department and the Department of Corrections shall implement a system for verifying the addresses of sexual predators. The system must be consistent with the provisions of the federal Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act of 2006 and any other federal standards applicable to such verification or required to be met as a condition for the receipt of federal funds by the state. The Department of Corrections shall verify the addresses of sexual predators who are not incarcerated but who reside in the community under the supervision of the Department of Corrections and shall report to the department any failure by a sexual predator to comply with registration requirements. County and local law enforcement agencies, in conjunction with the department, shall verify the addresses of sexual predators who are not under the care, custody, control, or supervision of the Department of Corrections. Local law enforcement agencies shall report to the department any failure by a sexual predator to comply with

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registration requirements.

- during the month of the sexual predator's birthday and during every third month thereafter to the sheriff's office in the county in which he or she resides or is otherwise located to reregister. The sheriff's office may determine the appropriate times and days for reporting by the sexual predator, which shall be consistent with the reporting requirements of this paragraph. Reregistration shall include any changes to the following information:
- Name; social security number; age; race; sex; date of birth; height; weight; hair and eye color; address of any permanent residence and address of any current temporary residence, within the state or out of state, including a rural route address and a post office box; if no permanent or temporary address, any transient residence within the state; address, location or description, and dates of any current or known future temporary residence within the state or out of state; all any electronic mail addresses address and all Internet identifiers any instant message name required to be provided pursuant to subparagraph (6)(g)4.; all home telephone numbers number and any cellular telephone numbers number; date and place of any employment; vehicle make, model, color, and license tag number; fingerprints; and photograph. A post office box shall not be provided in lieu of a physical residential address. The sexual predator must also produce or provide information about his or her passport, if he or she has a passport, and, if he or she is an alien, must produce or provide

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- information about documents establishing his or her immigration status.
  - 2. If the sexual predator is enrolled, employed, or carrying on a vocation at an institution of higher education in this state, the sexual predator shall also provide to the department the name, address, and county of each institution, including each campus attended, and the sexual predator's enrollment or employment status.
  - 3. If the sexual predator's place of residence is a motor vehicle, trailer, mobile home, or manufactured home, as defined in chapter 320, the sexual predator shall also provide the vehicle identification number; the license tag number; the registration number; and a description, including color scheme, of the motor vehicle, trailer, mobile home, or manufactured home. If the sexual predator's place of residence is a vessel, live-aboard vessel, or houseboat, as defined in chapter 327, the sexual predator shall also provide the hull identification number; the manufacturer's serial number; the name of the vessel, live-aboard vessel, or houseboat; the registration number; and a description, including color scheme, of the vessel, live-aboard vessel, or houseboat.

#### (10) PENALTIES.-

(a) Except as otherwise specifically provided, a sexual predator who fails to register; who fails, after registration, to maintain, acquire, or renew a driver's license or identification card; who fails to provide required location information, electronic mail address information, <a href="Internet">Internet</a> identifier instant message name information, all home telephone

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numbers number and any cellular telephone numbers number, or change-of-name information; who fails to make a required report in connection with vacating a permanent residence; who fails to reregister as required; who fails to respond to any address verification correspondence from the department within 3 weeks of the date of the correspondence; or who otherwise fails, by act or omission, to comply with the requirements of this section, commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

Section 2. Paragraphs (a) and (g) of subsection (1), subsection (2), paragraphs (a) and (d) of subsection (4), subsections (7) and (8), and paragraph (c) of subsection (14) of section 943.0435, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

943.0435 Sexual offenders required to register with the department; penalty.—

- (1) As used in this section, the term:
- (a)1. "Sexual offender" means a person who meets the criteria in sub-subparagraph a., sub-subparagraph b., sub-subparagraph c., or sub-subparagraph d., as follows:
- a.(I) Has been convicted of committing, or attempting, soliciting, or conspiring to commit, any of the criminal offenses proscribed in the following statutes in this state or similar offenses in another jurisdiction: s. 787.01, s. 787.02, or s. 787.025(2)(c), where the victim is a minor and the defendant is not the victim's parent or guardian; s. 794.011, excluding s. 794.011(10); s. 794.05; s. 796.03; s. 796.035; s. 800.04; s. 825.1025; s. 826.04 where the victim is a minor and the defendant is 18 years of age or older; s. 827.071; s.

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- 847.0133; s. 847.0135, excluding s. 847.0135(6); s. 847.0137; s. 847.0138; s. 847.0145; or s. 985.701(1); or any similar offense committed in this state which has been redesignated from a former statute number to one of those listed in this sub-sub-subparagraph; and
- (II) Has been released on or after October 1, 1997, from the sanction imposed for any conviction of an offense described in sub-sub-subparagraph (I). For purposes of sub-sub-subparagraph (I), a sanction imposed in this state or in any other jurisdiction includes, but is not limited to, a fine, probation, community control, parole, conditional release, control release, or incarceration in a state prison, federal prison, private correctional facility, or local detention facility;
- b. Establishes or maintains a residence in this state and who has not been designated as a sexual predator by a court of this state but who has been designated as a sexual predator, as a sexually violent predator, or by another sexual offender designation in another state or jurisdiction and was, as a result of such designation, subjected to registration or community or public notification, or both, or would be if the person were a resident of that state or jurisdiction, without regard to whether the person otherwise meets the criteria for registration as a sexual offender;
- c. Establishes or maintains a residence in this state who is in the custody or control of, or under the supervision of, any other state or jurisdiction as a result of a conviction for committing, or attempting, soliciting, or conspiring to commit,

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- any of the criminal offenses proscribed in the following
- statutes or similar offense in another jurisdiction: s. 787.01,
- 423 s. 787.02, or s. 787.025(2)(c), where the victim is a minor and
- 424 the defendant is not the victim's parent or guardian; s.
- 425 794.011, excluding s. 794.011(10); s. 794.05; s. 796.03; s.
- 426 796.035; s. 800.04; s. 825.1025; s. 826.04 where the victim is a
- 427 minor and the defendant is 18 years of age or older; s. 827.071;
- 428 s. 847.0133; s. 847.0135, excluding s. 847.0135(6); s. 847.0137;
- 429 s. 847.0138; s. 847.0145; or s. 985.701(1); or any similar
- 430 offense committed in this state which has been redesignated from
- 431 a former statute number to one of those listed in this sub-
- 432 subparagraph; or
- d. On or after July 1, 2007, has been adjudicated
- 434 delinquent for committing, or attempting, soliciting, or
- conspiring to commit, any of the criminal offenses proscribed in
- 436 the following statutes in this state or similar offenses in
- 437 another jurisdiction when the juvenile was 14 years of age or
- 438 older at the time of the offense:
- (I) Section 794.011, excluding s. 794.011(10);
- (II) Section 800.04(4)(b) where the victim is under 12
- 441 years of age or where the court finds sexual activity by the use
- 442 of force or coercion;
- (III) Section 800.04(5)(c)1. where the court finds
- 444 molestation involving unclothed genitals; or
- (IV) Section 800.04(5)(d) where the court finds the use of
- 446 force or coercion and unclothed genitals.
- 2. For all qualifying offenses listed in sub-subparagraph
- 448 (1)(a)1.d., the court shall make a written finding of the age of

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the offender at the time of the offense.

For each violation of a qualifying offense listed in this subsection, the court shall make a written finding of the age of the victim at the time of the offense. For a violation of s. 800.04(4), the court shall additionally make a written finding indicating that the offense did or did not involve sexual activity and indicating that the offense did or did not involve force or coercion. For a violation of s. 800.04(5), the court shall additionally make a written finding that the offense did or did not involve unclothed genitals or genital area and that

(g) "Internet identifier Instant message name" has the same meaning as provided in s. 775.21 means an identifier that allows a person to communicate in real time with another person using the Internet.

the offense did or did not involve the use of force or coercion.

- (2) A sexual offender shall:
- (a) Report in person at the sheriff's office:
- 1. In the county in which the offender establishes or maintains a permanent, temporary, or transient residence within 48 hours after:
- a. Establishing permanent, temporary, or transient residence in this state; or
- b. Being released from the custody, control, or supervision of the Department of Corrections or from the custody of a private correctional facility; or
- 2. In the county where he or she was convicted within 48 hours after being convicted for a qualifying offense for

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registration under this section if the offender is not in the custody or control of, or under the supervision of, the Department of Corrections, or is not in the custody of a private correctional facility.

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Any change in the information required to be provided pursuant to paragraph (b), including, but not limited to, any change in the sexual offender's permanent, temporary, or transient residence, name, <u>all any</u> electronic mail <u>addresses</u> address and <u>all Internet identifiers</u> any instant message name required to be provided pursuant to paragraph (4)(d), after the sexual offender reports in person at the sheriff's office, shall be accomplished in the manner provided in subsections (4), (7), and (8).

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(b) Provide his or her name; date of birth; social security number; race; sex; height; weight; hair and eye color; tattoos or other identifying marks; occupation and place of employment; address of permanent or legal residence or address of any current temporary residence, within the state or out of state, including a rural route address and a post office box; if no permanent or temporary address, any transient residence within the state, address, location or description, and dates of any current or known future temporary residence within the state or out of state; all home telephone numbers number and any cellular telephone numbers number; all any electronic mail addresses address and all Internet identifiers any instant message name required to be provided pursuant to paragraph (4)(d); date and place of each conviction; and a brief description of the crime or crimes committed by the offender. A

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post office box shall not be provided in lieu of a physical residential address. The sexual offender must also produce or provide information about his or her passport, if he or she has a passport, and, if he or she is an alien, must produce or provide information about documents establishing his or her immigration status.

- 1. If the sexual offender's place of residence is a motor vehicle, trailer, mobile home, or manufactured home, as defined in chapter 320, the sexual offender shall also provide to the department through the sheriff's office written notice of the vehicle identification number; the license tag number; the registration number; and a description, including color scheme, of the motor vehicle, trailer, mobile home, or manufactured home. If the sexual offender's place of residence is a vessel, live-aboard vessel, or houseboat, as defined in chapter 327, the sexual offender shall also provide to the department written notice of the hull identification number; the manufacturer's serial number; the name of the vessel, live-aboard vessel, or houseboat; the registration number; and a description, including color scheme, of the vessel, live-aboard vessel, or houseboat.
- 2. If the sexual offender is enrolled, employed, or carrying on a vocation at an institution of higher education in this state, the sexual offender shall also provide to the department through the sheriff's office the name, address, and county of each institution, including each campus attended, and the sexual offender's enrollment or employment status. Each change in enrollment or employment status shall be reported in person at the sheriff's office, within 48 hours after any change

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(4)(a) Each time a sexual offender's driver's license or identification card is subject to renewal, and, without regard to the status of the offender's driver's license or identification card, within 48 hours after any change in the offender's permanent, temporary, or transient residence or change in the offender's name by reason of marriage or other legal process, the offender shall report in person to a driver's license office, and shall be subject to the requirements specified in subsection (3). The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles shall forward to the department all photographs and information provided by sexual offenders. Notwithstanding the restrictions set forth in s. 322.142, the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles is authorized to release a reproduction of a color-photograph or digital-image license to the Department of Law Enforcement for purposes of public notification of sexual offenders as provided in this section and ss. 943.043 and 944.606. A sexual offender who is unable to secure or update a driver's license or identification

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card with the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles as provided in subsection (3) and this subsection must also report any change in the sexual offender's permanent, temporary, or transient residence or change in the offender's name by reason of marriage or other legal process within 48 hours after the change to the sheriff's office in the county where the offender resides or is located and provide confirmation that he or she reported such information to Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles.

- (d) A sexual offender must register <u>all</u> any electronic mail <u>addresses</u> and <u>Internet identifiers</u> address or instant message name with the department prior to using such electronic mail <u>addresses</u> and <u>Internet identifiers</u> address or instant message name on or after October 1, 2007. The department shall establish an online system through which sexual offenders may securely access and update all electronic mail address and Internet identifier instant message name information.
- (7) A sexual offender who intends to establish a permanent, temporary, or transient residence in another state or jurisdiction other than the State of Florida shall report in person to the sheriff of the county of current residence within 48 hours before the date he or she intends to leave this state to establish residence in another state or jurisdiction or within 21 days before his or her planned departure date if the intended residence of 7 days or more is outside of the United States. The notification must include the address, municipality, county, and state, and country of intended residence. The sheriff shall promptly provide to the department the information

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received from the sexual offender. The department shall notify the statewide law enforcement agency, or a comparable agency, in the intended state, or jurisdiction, or country of residence of the sexual offender's intended residence. The failure of a sexual offender to provide his or her intended place of residence is punishable as provided in subsection (9).

- (8) A sexual offender who indicates his or her intent to establish a permanent, temporary, or transient residence in another state, a or jurisdiction other than the State of Florida, or another country and later decides to remain in this state shall, within 48 hours after the date upon which the sexual offender indicated he or she would leave this state, report in person to the sheriff to which the sexual offender reported the intended change of permanent, temporary, or transient residence, and report his or her intent to remain in this state. The sheriff shall promptly report this information to the department. A sexual offender who reports his or her intent to establish a permanent, temporary, or transient residence in another state, a or jurisdiction other than the State of Florida, or another country but who remains in this state without reporting to the sheriff in the manner required by this subsection commits a felony of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.
- (c) The sheriff's office may determine the appropriate times and days for reporting by the sexual offender, which shall be consistent with the reporting requirements of this subsection. Reregistration shall include any changes to the

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- 2. If the sexual offender is enrolled, employed, or carrying on a vocation at an institution of higher education in this state, the sexual offender shall also provide to the department the name, address, and county of each institution, including each campus attended, and the sexual offender's enrollment or employment status.
  - 3. If the sexual offender's place of residence is a motor

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vehicle, trailer, mobile home, or manufactured home, as defined in chapter 320, the sexual offender shall also provide the vehicle identification number; the license tag number; the registration number; and a description, including color scheme, of the motor vehicle, trailer, mobile home, or manufactured home. If the sexual offender's place of residence is a vessel, live-aboard vessel, or houseboat, as defined in chapter 327, the sexual offender shall also provide the hull identification number; the manufacturer's serial number; the name of the vessel, live-aboard vessel, or houseboat; the registration number; and a description, including color scheme, of the vessel, live-aboard vessel or houseboat.

4. Any sexual offender who fails to report in person as required at the sheriff's office, or who fails to respond to any address verification correspondence from the department within 3 weeks of the date of the correspondence or who fails to report all electronic mail addresses and all Internet identifiers or instant message names, commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

Section 3. Section 943.04351, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

943.04351 Search of registration information regarding sexual predators and sexual offenders required prior to appointment or employment.—A state agency or governmental subdivision, prior to making any decision to appoint or employ a person to work, whether for compensation or as a volunteer, at any park, playground, day care center, or other place where children regularly congregate, must conduct a search of that

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person's name or other identifying information against the registration information regarding sexual predators and sexual offenders maintained by the Department of Law Enforcement under s. 943.043. The agency or governmental subdivision may conduct the search using the Internet site maintained by the Department of Law Enforcement. Also, a national search must be conducted through the Dru Sjodin National Sex Offender Public Website maintained by the United States Department of Justice. This section does not apply to those positions or appointments within a state agency or governmental subdivision for which a state and national criminal history background check is conducted.

Section 4. Section 943.04354, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

943.04354 Removal of the requirement to register as a sexual offender or sexual predator in special circumstances.—

- (1) For purposes of this section, a person shall be considered for removal of the requirement to register as a sexual offender or sexual predator only if the person:
- (a) Was or will be convicted or adjudicated delinquent of a violation of s. 794.011, s. 800.04, s. 827.071, or s. 847.0135(5) or the person committed a violation of s. 794.011, s. 800.04, s. 827.071, or s. 847.0135(5) for which adjudication of guilt was or will be withheld, and the person does not have any other conviction, adjudication of delinquency, or withhold of adjudication of guilt for a violation of s. 794.011, s. 800.04, s. 827.071, or s. 847.0135(5);
- (b) Is required to register as a sexual offender or sexual predator solely on the basis of this violation; and

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- (c) Is not more than 4 years older than the victim of this violation who was  $\underline{13}$   $\underline{14}$  years of age or older but not more than  $\underline{18}$   $\underline{17}$  years of age at the time the person committed this violation.
- (2) If a person meets the criteria in subsection (1) and the violation of s. 794.011, s. 800.04, s. 827.071, 847.0135(5) was committed on or after July 1, 2007, the person may move the court that will sentence or dispose of this violation to remove the requirement that the person register as a sexual offender or sexual predator. The person must allege in the motion that he or she meets the criteria in subsection (1) and that removal of the registration requirement will not conflict with federal law. The state attorney must be given notice of the motion at least 21 days before the date of sentencing or disposition of this violation and may present evidence in opposition to the requested relief or may otherwise demonstrate why the motion should be denied. At sentencing or disposition of this violation, the court shall rule on this motion and, if the court determines the person meets the criteria in subsection (1) and the removal of the registration requirement will not conflict with federal law, it may grant the motion and order the removal of the registration requirement. If the court denies the motion, the person is not authorized under this section to petition for removal of the registration requirement.
  - (3) (a) This subsection applies to a person who:

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- 1. Is not a person described in subsection (2) because the violation of s. 794.011, s. 800.04, or s. 827.071 was not committed on or after July 1, 2007;
- 1.2. Is subject to registration as a sexual offender or sexual predator for a violation of s. 794.011, s. 800.04, or s. 827.071; and
  - 2.3. Meets the criteria in subsection (1).
- A person may petition the court in which the sentence or disposition for the violation of s. 794.011, s. 800.04, or s. 827.071 occurred for removal of the requirement to register as a sexual offender or sexual predator. The person must allege in the petition that he or she meets the criteria in subsection (1) and removal of the registration requirement will not conflict with federal law. The state attorney must be given notice of the petition at least 21 days before the hearing on the petition and may present evidence in opposition to the requested relief or may otherwise demonstrate why the petition should be denied. The court shall rule on the petition and, if the court determines the person meets the criteria in subsection (1) and removal of the registration requirement will not conflict with federal law, it may grant the petition and order the removal of the registration requirement. If the court denies the petition, the person is not authorized under this section to file any further petition for removal of the registration requirement.
- (4) If a person provides to the Department of Law Enforcement a certified copy of the court's order removing the requirement that the person register as a sexual offender or sexual predator for the violation of s. 794.011, s. 800.04, s.

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827.071, or s. 847.0135(5), the registration requirement will not apply to the person and the department shall remove all information about the person from the public registry of sexual offenders and sexual predators maintained by the department. However, the removal of this information from the public registry does not mean that the public is denied access to information about the person's criminal history or record that is otherwise available as a public record.

- Section 5. Subsection (2) and paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of section 943.0437, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 943.0437 Commercial social networking websites.—
- electronic mail addresses and <u>Internet identifiers</u> instant message names maintained as part of the sexual offender registry to commercial social networking websites or third parties designated by commercial social networking websites. The commercial social networking website may use this information for the purpose of comparing registered users and screening potential users of the commercial social networking website against the list of electronic mail addresses and <u>Internet identifiers</u> instant message names provided by the department.
- (3) This section shall not be construed to impose any civil liability on a commercial social networking website for:
- (a) Any action voluntarily taken in good faith to remove or disable any profile of a registered user associated with an electronic mail address or <a href="Internet identifier">Internet identifier</a> instant message name contained in the sexual offender registry.
  - Section 6. Paragraphs (b) and (d) of subsection (1) and

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paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of section 944.606, Florida

Statutes, are amended to read:

944.606 Sexual offenders; notification upon release.-

- (1) As used in this section:
- (b) "Sexual offender" means a person who has been convicted of committing, or attempting, soliciting, or conspiring to commit, any of the criminal offenses proscribed in the following statutes in this state or similar offenses in another jurisdiction: s. 787.01, s. 787.02, or s. 787.025(2)(c), where the victim is a minor and the defendant is not the victim's parent or guardian; s. 794.011, excluding s. 794.011(10); s. 794.05; s. 796.03; s. 796.035; s. 800.04; s. 825.1025; s. 826.04 where the victim is a minor and the defendant is 18 years of age or older; s. 827.071; s. 847.0133; s. 847.0135, excluding s. 847.0135(6); s. 847.0137; s. 847.0138; s. 847.0145; or s. 985.701(1); or any similar offense committed in this state which has been redesignated from a former statute number to one of those listed in this subsection, when the department has received verified information regarding such conviction; an offender's computerized criminal history record is not, in and of itself, verified information.
- (d) "Internet identifier Instant message name" has the same meaning as provided in s. 775.21 means an identifier that allows a person to communicate in real time with another person using the Internet.
- (3) (a) The department must provide information regarding any sexual offender who is being released after serving a period of incarceration for any offense, as follows:

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The department must provide: the sexual offender's name, any change in the offender's name by reason of marriage or other legal process, and any alias, if known; the correctional facility from which the sexual offender is released; the sexual offender's social security number, race, sex, date of birth, height, weight, and hair and eye color; address of any planned permanent residence or temporary residence, within the state or out of state, including a rural route address and a post office box; if no permanent or temporary address, any transient residence within the state; address, location or description, and dates of any known future temporary residence within the state or out of state; date and county of sentence and each crime for which the offender was sentenced; a copy of the offender's fingerprints and a digitized photograph taken within 60 days before release; the date of release of the sexual offender; all any electronic mail addresses address and all Internet identifiers any instant message name required to be provided pursuant to s. 943.0435(4)(d); all and home telephone numbers number and any cellular telephone numbers; and passport information, if he or she has a passport, and, if he or she is an alien, information about documents establishing his or her immigration status number. The department shall notify the Department of Law Enforcement if the sexual offender escapes, absconds, or dies. If the sexual offender is in the custody of a private correctional facility, the facility shall take the digitized photograph of the sexual offender within 60 days before the sexual offender's release and provide this photograph to the Department of Corrections and also place it in the sexual

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offender's file. If the sexual offender is in the custody of a local jail, the custodian of the local jail shall register the offender within 3 business days after intake of the offender for any reason and upon release, and shall notify the Department of Law Enforcement of the sexual offender's release and provide to the Department of Law Enforcement the information specified in this paragraph and any information specified in subparagraph 2. that the Department of Law Enforcement requests.

- 2. The department may provide any other information deemed necessary, including criminal and corrections records, nonprivileged personnel and treatment records, when available.
- Section 7. Paragraphs (a) and (f) of subsection (1), paragraph (a) of subsection (4), paragraph (b) of subsection (6), and paragraph (c) of subsection (13) of section 944.607, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
- 944.607 Notification to Department of Law Enforcement of information on sexual offenders.—
  - (1) As used in this section, the term:
- (a) "Sexual offender" means a person who is in the custody or control of, or under the supervision of, the department or is in the custody of a private correctional facility:
- 1. On or after October 1, 1997, as a result of a conviction for committing, or attempting, soliciting, or conspiring to commit, any of the criminal offenses proscribed in the following statutes in this state or similar offenses in another jurisdiction: s. 787.01, s. 787.02, or s. 787.025(2)(c), where the victim is a minor and the defendant is not the victim's parent or guardian; s. 794.011, excluding s.

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794.011(10); s. 794.05; s. 796.03; s. 796.035; s. 800.04; s. 825.1025; s. 826.04 where the victim is a minor and the defendant is 18 years of age or older; s. 827.071; s. 847.0133; s. 847.0135, excluding s. 847.0135(6); s. 847.0137; s. 847.0138; s. 847.0145; or s. 985.701(1); or any similar offense committed in this state which has been redesignated from a former statute number to one of those listed in this paragraph; or
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- 2. Who establishes or maintains a residence in this state and who has not been designated as a sexual predator by a court of this state but who has been designated as a sexual predator, as a sexually violent predator, or by another sexual offender designation in another state or jurisdiction and was, as a result of such designation, subjected to registration or community or public notification, or both, or would be if the person were a resident of that state or jurisdiction, without regard as to whether the person otherwise meets the criteria for registration as a sexual offender.
- (f) "Internet identifier Instant message name" has the same meaning as provided in s. 775.21 means an identifier that allows a person to communicate in real time with another person using the Internet.
- (4) A sexual offender, as described in this section, who is under the supervision of the Department of Corrections but is not incarcerated must register with the Department of Corrections within 3 business days after sentencing for a registrable offense and otherwise provide information as required by this subsection.
  - (a) The sexual offender shall provide his or her name;

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date of birth; social security number; race; sex; height; weight; hair and eye color; tattoos or other identifying marks; all any electronic mail addresses address and all Internet identifiers any instant message name required to be provided pursuant to s. 943.0435(4)(d); permanent or legal residence and address of temporary residence within the state or out of state while the sexual offender is under supervision in this state, including any rural route address or post office box; if no permanent or temporary address, any transient residence within the state; and address, location or description, and dates of any current or known future temporary residence within the state or out of state. The sexual offender must also produce or provide information about his or her passport, if he or she has a passport, and, if he or she is an alien, must produce or provide information about documents establishing his or her immigration status. The Department of Corrections shall verify the address of each sexual offender in the manner described in ss. 775.21 and 943.0435. The department shall report to the Department of Law Enforcement any failure by a sexual predator or sexual offender to comply with registration requirements.

- (6) The information provided to the Department of Law Enforcement must include:
- (b) The sexual offender's most current address, place of permanent, temporary, or transient residence within the state or out of state, and address, location or description, and dates of any current or known future temporary residence within the state or out of state, while the sexual offender is under supervision in this state, including the name of the county or municipality

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in which the offender permanently or temporarily resides, or has a transient residence, and address, location or description, and dates of any current or known future temporary residence within the state or out of state, and, if known, the intended place of permanent, temporary, or transient residence, and address, location or description, and dates of any current or known future temporary residence within the state or out of state upon satisfaction of all sanctions. The sexual offender must also produce or provide information about his or her passport, if he or she has a passport, and, if he or she is an alien, must produce or provide information about documents establishing his or her immigration status;

If any information provided by the department changes during the time the sexual offender is under the department's control, custody, or supervision, including any change in the offender's name by reason of marriage or other legal process, the department shall, in a timely manner, update the information and provide it to the Department of Law Enforcement in the manner prescribed in subsection (2).

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- (c) The sheriff's office may determine the appropriate times and days for reporting by the sexual offender, which shall be consistent with the reporting requirements of this subsection. Reregistration shall include any changes to the following information:
- 1. Name; social security number; age; race; sex; date of birth; height; weight; hair and eye color; address of any

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permanent residence and address of any current temporary residence, within the state or out of state, including a rural route address and a post office box; if no permanent or temporary address, any transient residence; address, location or description, and dates of any current or known future temporary residence within the state or out of state; all any electronic mail addresses address and all Internet identifiers any instant message name required to be provided pursuant to s. 943.0435(4)(d); date and place of any employment; vehicle make, model, color, and license tag number; fingerprints; and photograph. A post office box shall not be provided in lieu of a physical residential address. The sexual offender must also produce or provide information about his or her passport, if he or she has a passport, and, if he or she is an alien, must produce or provide information about documents establishing his or her immigration status.

- 2. If the sexual offender is enrolled, employed, or carrying on a vocation at an institution of higher education in this state, the sexual offender shall also provide to the department the name, address, and county of each institution, including each campus attended, and the sexual offender's enrollment or employment status.
- 3. If the sexual offender's place of residence is a motor vehicle, trailer, mobile home, or manufactured home, as defined in chapter 320, the sexual offender shall also provide the vehicle identification number; the license tag number; the registration number; and a description, including color scheme, of the motor vehicle, trailer, mobile home, or manufactured

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home. If the sexual offender's place of residence is a vessel, live-aboard vessel, or houseboat, as defined in chapter 327, the sexual offender shall also provide the hull identification number; the manufacturer's serial number; the name of the vessel, live-aboard vessel, or houseboat; the registration number; and a description, including color scheme, of the vessel, live-aboard vessel or houseboat.

- 4. Any sexual offender who fails to report in person as required at the sheriff's office, or who fails to respond to any address verification correspondence from the department within 3 weeks of the date of the correspondence, or who fails to report all electronic mail addresses and all Internet identifiers or instant message names, commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.
- Section 8. Subsection (11) of section 947.005, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 947.005 Definitions.—As used in this chapter, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:
- (11) "Risk assessment" means an assessment completed by  $\underline{a}$  an independent qualified practitioner to evaluate the level of risk associated when a sex offender has contact with a child.
- Section 9. Section 948.31, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 948.31 Evaluation and treatment of sexual predators and offenders on probation or community control.—Conditions imposed pursuant to this section do not require oral pronouncement at the time of sentencing and shall be considered standard conditions of probation or community control for offenders

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1007 specified in this section. The court shall require an evaluation 1008 by a qualified practitioner to determine the need of a 1009 probationer or community controllee for treatment. If the court 1010 determines that a need therefor is established by the evaluation 1011 process, the court shall require sexual offender treatment as a 1012 term or condition of probation or community control for any 1013 person who is required to register as a sexual predator under s. 1014 775.21 or sexual offender under s. 943.0435, s. 944.606, or s. 944.607. Such treatment shall be required to be obtained from a 1015 1016 qualified practitioner as defined in s. 948.001. Treatment may 1017 not be administered by a qualified practitioner who has been 1018 convicted or adjudicated delinquent of committing, or 1019 attempting, soliciting, or conspiring to commit, any offense 1020 that is listed in s. 943.0435(1)(a)1.a.(I). The court shall 1021 impose a restriction against contact with minors if sexual offender treatment is recommended. The evaluation and 1022 1023 recommendations for treatment of the probationer or community 1024 controllee shall be provided to the court for review. 1025 Section 10. Paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of section 1026

985.481, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

985.481 Sexual offenders adjudicated delinquent; notification upon release.-

- The department must provide information regarding any sexual offender who is being released after serving a period of residential commitment under the department for any offense, as follows:
- The department must provide the sexual offender's name, any change in the offender's name by reason of marriage or other

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1035 legal process, and any alias, if known; the correctional 1036 facility from which the sexual offender is released; the sexual 1037 offender's social security number, race, sex, date of birth, 1038 height, weight, and hair and eye color; address of any planned 1039 permanent residence or temporary residence, within the state or out of state, including a rural route address and a post office box; if no permanent or temporary address, any transient residence within the state; address, location or description, 1042 1043 and dates of any known future temporary residence within the state or out of state; date and county of disposition and each 1045 crime for which there was a disposition; a copy of the 1046 offender's fingerprints and a digitized photograph taken within 1047 60 days before release; the date of release of the sexual 1048 offender; all and home telephone numbers number and any cellular 1049 telephone numbers; and passport information, if he or she has a passport, and, if he or she is an alien, information about documents establishing his or her immigration status number. The 1052 department shall notify the Department of Law Enforcement if the 1053 sexual offender escapes, absconds, or dies. If the sexual offender is in the custody of a private correctional facility, 1055 the facility shall take the digitized photograph of the sexual 1056 offender within 60 days before the sexual offender's release and 1057 also place it in the sexual offender's file. If the sexual 1058 offender is in the custody of a local jail, the custodian of the 1059 local jail shall register the offender within 3 business days 1060 after intake of the offender for any reason and upon release, 1061 and shall notify the Department of Law Enforcement of the sexual offender's release and provide to the Department of Law

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Enforcement the information specified in this subparagraph and any information specified in subparagraph 2. which the Department of Law Enforcement requests.

- 2. The department may provide any other information considered necessary, including criminal and delinquency records, when available.
- Section 11. Paragraph (a) of subsection (4), paragraph (a) of subsection (6), and paragraph (b) of subsection (13) of section 985.4815, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

985.4815 Notification to Department of Law Enforcement of information on juvenile sexual offenders.—

- (4) A sexual offender, as described in this section, who is under the supervision of the department but who is not committed must register with the department within 3 business days after adjudication and disposition for a registrable offense and otherwise provide information as required by this subsection.
- (a) The sexual offender shall provide his or her name; date of birth; social security number; race; sex; height; weight; hair and eye color; tattoos or other identifying marks; permanent or legal residence and address of temporary residence within the state or out of state while the sexual offender is in the care or custody or under the jurisdiction or supervision of the department in this state, including any rural route address or post office box; if no permanent or temporary address, any transient residence; address, location or description, and dates of any current or known future temporary residence within the state or out of state; passport information, if he or she has a

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passport, and, if he or she is an alien, information about documents establishing his or her immigration status; and the name and address of each school attended. The department shall verify the address of each sexual offender and shall report to the Department of Law Enforcement any failure by a sexual offender to comply with registration requirements.

- (6)(a) The information provided to the Department of Law Enforcement must include the following:
- 1. The information obtained from the sexual offender under subsection (4).
- The sexual offender's most current address and place of permanent, temporary, or transient residence within the state or out of state, and address, location or description, and dates of any current or known future temporary residence within the state or out of state, while the sexual offender is in the care or custody or under the jurisdiction or supervision of the department in this state, including the name of the county or municipality in which the offender permanently or temporarily resides, or has a transient residence, and address, location or description, and dates of any current or known future temporary residence within the state or out of state; and, if known, the intended place of permanent, temporary, or transient residence, and address, location or description, and dates of any current or known future temporary residence within the state or out of state upon satisfaction of all sanctions. The sexual offender must also produce or provide information about his or her passport, if he or she has a passport, and, if he or she is an

- alien, must produce or provide information about documents establishing his or her immigration status.
- 3. The legal status of the sexual offender and the scheduled termination date of that legal status.
- 4. The location of, and local telephone number for, any department office that is responsible for supervising the sexual offender.
- 5. An indication of whether the victim of the offense that resulted in the offender's status as a sexual offender was a minor.
- 6. The offense or offenses at adjudication and disposition that resulted in the determination of the offender's status as a sex offender.
- 7. A digitized photograph of the sexual offender, which must have been taken within 60 days before the offender was released from the custody of the department or a private correctional facility by expiration of sentence under s. 944.275, or within 60 days after the onset of the department's supervision of any sexual offender who is on probation, postcommitment probation, residential commitment, nonresidential commitment, licensed child-caring commitment, community control, conditional release, parole, provisional release, or control release or who is supervised by the department under the Interstate Compact Agreement for Probationers and Parolees. If the sexual offender is in the custody of a private correctional facility, the facility shall take a digitized photograph of the sexual offender within the time period provided in this subparagraph and shall provide the photograph to the department.

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- (b) The sheriff's office may determine the appropriate times and days for reporting by the sexual offender, which shall be consistent with the reporting requirements of this subsection. Reregistration shall include any changes to the following information:
- 1. Name; social security number; age; race; sex; date of birth; height; weight; hair and eye color; address of any permanent residence and address of any current temporary residence, within the state or out of state, including a rural route address and a post office box; if no permanent or temporary address, any transient residence; address, location or description, and dates of any current or known future temporary residence within the state or out of state; passport information, if he or she has a passport, and, if he or she is an alien, information about documents establishing his or her immigration status; name and address of each school attended; date and place of any employment; vehicle make, model, color, and license tag number; fingerprints; and photograph. A post office box shall not be provided in lieu of a physical residential address.
- 2. If the sexual offender is enrolled, employed, or carrying on a vocation at an institution of higher education in this state, the sexual offender shall also provide to the department the name, address, and county of each institution, including each campus attended, and the sexual offender's enrollment or employment status.

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- 3. If the sexual offender's place of residence is a motor vehicle, trailer, mobile home, or manufactured home, as defined in chapter 320, the sexual offender shall also provide the vehicle identification number; the license tag number; the registration number; and a description, including color scheme, of the motor vehicle, trailer, mobile home, or manufactured home. If the sexual offender's place of residence is a vessel, live-aboard vessel, or houseboat, as defined in chapter 327, the sexual offender shall also provide the hull identification number; the manufacturer's serial number; the name of the vessel, live-aboard vessel, or houseboat; the registration number; and a description, including color scheme, of the vessel, live-aboard vessel, or houseboat.
  - 4. Any sexual offender who fails to report in person as required at the sheriff's office, or who fails to respond to any address verification correspondence from the department within 3 weeks after the date of the correspondence, commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in ss. 775.082, 775.083, and 775.084.

# Section 12. <u>Sections 13-25 of this act may be cited as the "Florida Safe Harbor Act."</u>

Section 13. Effective January 1, 2012, subsections (4) through (12) of section 39.001, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (5) through (13), respectively, paragraph (c) of present subsection (7) and paragraph (b) of present subsection (9) are amended, and a new subsection (4) is added to that section, to read:

39.001 Purposes and intent; personnel standards and

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- (4) SEXUAL EXPLOITATION SERVICES.—
- The Legislature recognizes that child sexual exploitation is a serious problem nationwide and in this state. The children at greatest risk of being sexually exploited are runaways and throwaways. Many of these children have a history of abuse and neglect. The vulnerability of these children starts with isolation from family and friends. Traffickers maintain control of child victims through psychological manipulation, force, drug addiction, or the exploitation of economic, physical, or emotional vulnerability. Children exploited through the sex trade often find it difficult to trust adults because of their abusive experiences. These children make up a population that is difficult to serve and even more difficult to rehabilitate. Although minors are by law unable to consent to sexual activity, they are most often treated as perpetrators of crime rather than victims. Moreover, the historical treatment of such children as delinquents has too often resulted in the failure to successfully prosecute the trafficker, who is the true wrongdoer and threat to society.
  - (b) The Legislature establishes the following goals for the state related to the status and treatment of sexually exploited children in the dependency process:
    - 1. To ensure the safety of children.
- 1225 <u>2. To provide for the treatment of such children as</u> 1226 <u>dependent children rather than as delinquents.</u>

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3. To sever the bond between exploited children and traffickers and to reunite these children with their families or provide them with appropriate guardians.

- 4. To enable such children to be willing and reliable witnesses in the prosecution of traffickers.
- (c) The Legislature finds that sexually exploited children need special care and services in the dependency process, including counseling, health care, substance abuse treatment, educational opportunities, and a safe environment secure from traffickers.
- (d) The Legislature further finds that sexually exploited children need the special care and services described in paragraph (c) independent of their citizenship, residency, alien, or immigrant status. It is the intent of the Legislature that this state provide such care and services to all sexually exploited children in this state who are not otherwise receiving comparable services, such as those under the federal Trafficking Victims Protection Act, 22 U.S.C. ss. 7101 et seq.
  - (8)  $\frac{(7)}{(7)}$  OFFICE OF ADOPTION AND CHILD PROTECTION.
  - (c) The office is authorized and directed to:
- 1. Oversee the preparation and implementation of the state plan established under subsection (9) (8) and revise and update the state plan as necessary.
- 2. Provide for or make available continuing professional education and training in the prevention of child abuse and neglect.
- 3. Work to secure funding in the form of appropriations, gifts, and grants from the state, the Federal Government, and

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other public and private sources in order to ensure that sufficient funds are available for the promotion of adoption,

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- 4. Make recommendations pertaining to agreements or contracts for the establishment and development of:
- a. Programs and services for the promotion of adoption, support of adoptive families, and prevention of child abuse and neglect.
  - b. Training programs for the prevention of child abuse and neglect.
    - c. Multidisciplinary and discipline-specific training programs for professionals with responsibilities affecting children, young adults, and families.
      - d. Efforts to promote adoption.
      - e. Postadoptive services to support adoptive families.
  - 5. Monitor, evaluate, and review the development and quality of local and statewide services and programs for the promotion of adoption, support of adoptive families, and prevention of child abuse and neglect and shall publish and distribute an annual report of its findings on or before January 1 of each year to the Governor, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the President of the Senate, the head of each state agency affected by the report, and the appropriate substantive committees of the Legislature. The report shall include:
    - a. A summary of the activities of the office.
    - b. A summary of the adoption data collected and reported

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to the federal Adoption and Foster Care Analysis and Reporting System (AFCARS) and the federal Administration for Children and Families.

- c. A summary of the child abuse prevention data collected and reported to the National Child Abuse and Neglect Data System (NCANDS) and the federal Administration for Children and Families.
- d. A summary detailing the timeliness of the adoption process for children adopted from within the child welfare system.
- e. Recommendations, by state agency, for the further development and improvement of services and programs for the promotion of adoption, support of adoptive families, and prevention of child abuse and neglect.
- f. Budget requests, adoption promotion and support needs, and child abuse prevention program needs by state agency.
- 6. Work with the direct-support organization established under s. 39.0011 to receive financial assistance.

#### (10) <del>(9)</del> FUNDING AND SUBSEQUENT PLANS.-

(b) The office and the other agencies and organizations listed in paragraph (9)(8)(a) shall readdress the state plan and make necessary revisions every 5 years, at a minimum. Such revisions shall be submitted to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate no later than June 30 of each year divisible by 5. At least biennially, the office shall review the state plan and make any necessary revisions based on changing needs and program evaluation results. An annual progress report shall be submitted to update

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the state plan in the years between the 5-year intervals. In order to avoid duplication of effort, these required plans may be made a part of or merged with other plans required by either the state or Federal Government, so long as the portions of the other state or Federal Government plan that constitute the state plan for the promotion of adoption, support of adoptive families, and prevention of child abuse, abandonment, and neglect are clearly identified as such and are provided to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate as required above.

Section 14. Effective January 1, 2012, subsections (2) and (15) and paragraph (g) of subsection (67) of section 39.01, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

- 39.01 Definitions.—When used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise requires:
- (2) "Abuse" means any willful act or threatened act that results in any physical, mental, or sexual <u>abuse</u>, injury, or harm that causes or is likely to cause the child's physical, mental, or emotional health to be significantly impaired. Abuse of a child includes acts or omissions. Corporal discipline of a child by a parent or legal custodian for disciplinary purposes does not in itself constitute abuse when it does not result in harm to the child.
- (15) "Child who is found to be dependent" means a child who, pursuant to this chapter, is found by the court:
- (a) To have been abandoned, abused, or neglected by the child's parent or parents or legal custodians;
  - (b) To have been surrendered to the department, the former

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Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services, or a licensed child-placing agency for purpose of adoption;

- (c) To have been voluntarily placed with a licensed child-caring agency, a licensed child-placing agency, an adult relative, the department, or the former Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services, after which placement, under the requirements of this chapter, a case plan has expired and the parent or parents or legal custodians have failed to substantially comply with the requirements of the plan;
- (d) To have been voluntarily placed with a licensed childplacing agency for the purposes of subsequent adoption, and a parent or parents have signed a consent pursuant to the Florida Rules of Juvenile Procedure;
- (e) To have no parent or legal custodians capable of providing supervision and care;  $\frac{\partial F}{\partial x}$
- (f) To be at substantial risk of imminent abuse, abandonment, or neglect by the parent or parents or legal custodians; or
- (g) To have been sexually exploited and to have no parent, legal custodian, or responsible adult relative currently known and capable of providing the necessary and appropriate supervision and care.
- (67) "Sexual abuse of a child" means one or more of the following acts:
- (g) The sexual exploitation of a child, which includes the act of a child offering to engage in or engaging in prostitution; or allowing, encouraging, or forcing a child to:
  - 1. Solicit for or engage in prostitution; or

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- 2. Engage in a sexual performance, as defined by chapter 827; or
- 1369 3. Participate in the trade of sex trafficking as provided in s. 796.035.
  - Section 15. Effective January 1, 2012, paragraph (b) of subsection (2) and paragraph (b) of subsection (3) of section 39.401, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
    - 39.401 Taking a child alleged to be dependent into custody; law enforcement officers and authorized agents of the department.—
    - (2) If the law enforcement officer takes the child into custody, that officer shall:
    - department, stating the facts by reason of which the child was taken into custody and sufficient information to establish probable cause that the child is abandoned, abused, or neglected, or otherwise dependent. In the case of a child for whom there is probable cause to believe he or she has been sexually exploited, the law enforcement officer shall deliver the child to the appropriate short-term safe house as provided for in s. 409.1678 if a short-term safe house is available.

For cases involving allegations of abandonment, abuse, or neglect, or other dependency cases, within 3 days after such

release or within 3 days after delivering the child to an authorized agent of the department, the law enforcement officer

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- (3) If the child is taken into custody by, or is delivered to, an authorized agent of the department, the agent shall review the facts supporting the removal with an attorney representing the department. The purpose of the review is to determine whether there is probable cause for the filing of a shelter petition.
- If the facts are sufficient and the child has not been (b) returned to the custody of the parent or legal custodian, the department shall file the petition and schedule a hearing, and the attorney representing the department shall request that a shelter hearing be held within 24 hours after the removal of the child. While awaiting the shelter hearing, the authorized agent of the department may place the child in licensed shelter care, or in a short-term safe house if the child is a sexually exploited child, or may release the child to a parent or legal custodian or responsible adult relative or the adoptive parent of the child's sibling who shall be given priority consideration over a licensed placement, or a responsible adult approved by the department if this is in the best interests of the child. Placement of a child which is not in a licensed shelter must be preceded by a criminal history records check as required under s. 39.0138. In addition, the department may authorize placement of a housekeeper/homemaker in the home of a child alleged to be dependent until the parent or legal custodian assumes care of the child.
- Section 16. Effective January 1, 2012, subsection (2) and paragraphs (a), (d), and (h) of subsection (8) of section 39.402, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

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- 39.402 Placement in a shelter.—
  - (2) A child taken into custody may be placed or continued in a shelter only if one or more of the criteria in subsection (1) apply applies and the court has made a specific finding of fact regarding the necessity for removal of the child from the home and has made a determination that the provision of appropriate and available services will not eliminate the need for placement. In the case of a child who is alleged to have been sexually exploited, there is a rebuttable presumption that placement in a short-term safe house is necessary.
  - (8) (a) A child may not be held in a shelter longer than 24 hours unless an order so directing is entered by the court after a shelter hearing. In the interval until the shelter hearing is held, the decision to place the child in a shelter or release the child from a shelter lies with the protective investigator. In the case of a child who is alleged to have been sexually exploited, there is a rebuttable presumption that placement in a short-term safe house is necessary.
  - (d) At the shelter hearing, in order to continue the child in shelter care:
  - 1. The department must establish probable cause that reasonable grounds for removal exist and that the provision of appropriate and available services will not eliminate the need for placement;
  - 2. The department must establish probable cause for the belief that the child has been sexually exploited and, therefore, that placement in a short-term safe house is the most appropriate environment for the child; or

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- 3.2. The court must determine that additional time is necessary, which may not exceed 72 hours, in which to obtain and review documents pertaining to the family in order to appropriately determine the risk to the child during which time the child shall remain in the department's custody, if so ordered by the court.
- (h) The order for placement of a child in shelter care must identify the parties present at the hearing and must contain written findings:
- 1. That placement in shelter care is necessary based on the criteria in subsections (1) and (2).
- 2. That placement in shelter care is in the best interest of the child.
- 3. That continuation of the child in the home is contrary to the welfare of the child because the home situation presents a substantial and immediate danger to the child's physical, mental, or emotional health or safety which cannot be mitigated by the provision of preventive services.
- 4. That based upon the allegations of the petition for placement in shelter care, there is probable cause to believe that the child is dependent or that the court needs additional time, which may not exceed 72 hours, in which to obtain and review documents pertaining to the family in order to appropriately determine the risk to the child.
- 5. That the department has made reasonable efforts to prevent or eliminate the need for removal of the child from the home. A finding of reasonable effort by the department to prevent or eliminate the need for removal may be made and the

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department is deemed to have made reasonable efforts to prevent or eliminate the need for removal if:

- a. The first contact of the department with the family occurs during an emergency;
- b. The appraisal of the home situation by the department indicates that the home situation presents a substantial and immediate danger to the child's physical, mental, or emotional health or safety which cannot be mitigated by the provision of preventive services;
- c. The child cannot safely remain at home, either because there are no preventive services that can ensure the health and safety of the child or because, even with appropriate and available services being provided, the health and safety of the child cannot be ensured;
  - d. The child has been sexually exploited; or
- $\underline{\text{e.d.}}$  The parent or legal custodian is alleged to have committed any of the acts listed as grounds for expedited termination of parental rights in s. 39.806(1)(f)-(i).
- 6. That the court notified the parents, relatives that are providing out-of-home care for the child, or legal custodians of the time, date, and location of the next dependency hearing and of the importance of the active participation of the parents, relatives that are providing out-of-home care for the child, or legal custodians in all proceedings and hearings.
- 7. That the court notified the parents or legal custodians of their right to counsel to represent them at the shelter hearing and at each subsequent hearing or proceeding, and the right of the parents to appointed counsel, pursuant to the

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procedures set forth in s. 39.013.

- 8. That the court notified relatives who are providing out-of-home care for a child as a result of the shelter petition being granted that they have the right to attend all subsequent hearings, to submit reports to the court, and to speak to the court regarding the child, if they so desire.
- Section 17. Effective January 1, 2012, paragraph (f) of subsection (1) and paragraph (d) of subsection (3) of section 39.521, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
  - 39.521 Disposition hearings; powers of disposition.-
- (1) A disposition hearing shall be conducted by the court, if the court finds that the facts alleged in the petition for dependency were proven in the adjudicatory hearing, or if the parents or legal custodians have consented to the finding of dependency or admitted the allegations in the petition, have failed to appear for the arraignment hearing after proper notice, or have not been located despite a diligent search having been conducted.
- (f) If the court places the child in an out-of-home placement, the disposition order must include a written determination that the child cannot safely remain at home with reunification or family preservation services and that removal of the child is necessary to protect the child. If the child is removed before the disposition hearing, the order must also include a written determination as to whether, after removal, the department made a reasonable effort to reunify the parent and child. Reasonable efforts to reunify are not required if the court finds that any of the acts listed in s. 39.806(1)(f)-(1)

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that it made reasonable efforts.

have occurred. The department has the burden of demonstrating

- 1. For the purposes of this paragraph, the term "reasonable effort" means the exercise of reasonable diligence and care by the department to provide the services ordered by the court or delineated in the case plan.
- 2. In support of its determination as to whether reasonable efforts have been made, the court shall:
- a. Enter written findings as to whether prevention or reunification efforts were indicated.
- b. If prevention or reunification efforts were indicated, include a brief written description of what appropriate and available prevention and reunification efforts were made.
- c. Indicate in writing why further efforts could or could not have prevented or shortened the separation of the parent and child.
- 3. A court may find that the department made a reasonable effort to prevent or eliminate the need for removal if:
- a. The first contact of the department with the family occurs during an emergency;
- b. The appraisal by the department of the home situation indicates a substantial and immediate danger to the child's safety or physical, mental, or emotional health which cannot be mitigated by the provision of preventive services;
- c. The child cannot safely remain at home, because there are no preventive services that can ensure the health and safety of the child or, even with appropriate and available services being provided, the health and safety of the child cannot be

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ensured. There is a rebuttable presumption that any child who has been found to be a victim of sexual exploitation as defined in s. 39.01(67)(g) meets the terms of this sub-subparagraph; or

- d. The parent is alleged to have committed any of the acts listed as grounds for expedited termination of parental rights under s. 39.806(1)(f)-(1).
- 4. A reasonable effort by the department for reunification has been made if the appraisal of the home situation by the department indicates that the severity of the conditions of dependency is such that reunification efforts are inappropriate. The department has the burden of demonstrating to the court that reunification efforts were inappropriate.
- 5. If the court finds that the prevention or reunification effort of the department would not have permitted the child to remain safely at home, the court may commit the child to the temporary legal custody of the department or take any other action authorized by this chapter.
- (3) When any child is adjudicated by a court to be dependent, the court shall determine the appropriate placement for the child as follows:
- (d) If the child cannot be safely placed in a nonlicensed placement, the court shall commit the child to the temporary legal custody of the department. Such commitment invests in the department all rights and responsibilities of a legal custodian. The department shall not return any child to the physical care and custody of the person from whom the child was removed, except for court-approved visitation periods, without the approval of the court. Any order for visitation or other contact

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must conform to the provisions of s. 39.0139. There is a rebuttable presumption that any child who has been found to be a victim of sexual exploitation as defined in s. 39.01(67)(g) be committed to a safe house as provided for in s. 409.1678. The term of such commitment continues until terminated by the court or until the child reaches the age of 18. After the child is committed to the temporary legal custody of the department, all further proceedings under this section are governed by this chapter.

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Protective supervision continues until the court terminates it or until the child reaches the age of 18, whichever date is first. Protective supervision shall be terminated by the court whenever the court determines that permanency has been achieved for the child, whether with a parent, another relative, or a legal custodian, and that protective supervision is no longer needed. The termination of supervision may be with or without retaining jurisdiction, at the court's discretion, and shall in either case be considered a permanency option for the child. The order terminating supervision by the department shall set forth the powers of the custodian of the child and shall include the powers ordinarily granted to a quardian of the person of a minor unless otherwise specified. Upon the court's termination of supervision by the department, no further judicial reviews are required, so long as permanency has been established for the child.

Section 18. Effective January 1, 2012, section 39.524, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

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39.524 Safe-harbor placement.

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1624	409.1678. The assessment shall be conducted by the department or
1625	its agent and shall incorporate and address current and
1626	historical information from any law enforcement reports;
1627	psychological testing or evaluation that has occurred; current
1628	and historical information from the guardian ad litem, if one
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1630	current therapist, teacher, or other professional who has
1631	knowledge of the child and has worked with the child; and any
1632	other information concerning the availability and suitability of
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section, the term "available" as it relates to a placement means

(1) and the actions taken as a result of the assessment must be included in the next judicial review of the child. At each subsequent judicial review, the court must be advised in writing of the status of the child's placement, with special reference regarding the stability of the placement and the permanency planning for the child.

otherwise reasonably accessible.

- (3) Any safe house that receives children under this section shall establish special permanency teams dedicated to overcoming the special permanency challenges presented by this population of children. Each facility shall report to the department its success in achieving permanency for children placed by the department in its care at intervals that allow the current information to be provided to the court at each judicial review for the child.
- (4) (a) By December 1 of each year, the department shall report to the Legislature on the placement of children in safe houses during the year, including the criteria used to determine the placement of children, the number of children who were evaluated for placement, the number of children who were placed based upon the evaluation, and the number of children who were not placed.
- (b) The department shall maintain data specifying the number of children who were referred to a safe house for whom placement was unavailable and the counties in which such placement was unavailable. The department shall include this data in its report under this subsection so that the Legislature may consider this information in developing the General Appropriations Act.
- Section 19. Effective January 1, 2012, section 409.1678, Florida Statutes, is created to read:
- 1670 <u>409.1678 Safe harbor for children who are victims of</u> 1671 sexual exploitation.—
  - (1) As used in this section, the term:

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- (a) "Child advocate" means an employee of a short-term safe house who has been trained to work with and advocate for the needs of sexually exploited children. The advocate shall accompany the child to all court appearances, meetings with law enforcement, and the state attorney's office and shall serve as a liaison between the short-term safe house and the court.
- (b) "Safe house" means a living environment that has set aside gender-specific, separate, and distinct living quarters for sexually exploited children who have been adjudicated dependent or delinquent and need to reside in a secure residential facility with staff members awake 24 hours a day. A safe house shall be operated by a licensed family foster home or residential child-caring agency as defined in s. 409.175, including a runaway youth center as defined in s. 409.441. Each facility must be appropriately licensed in this state as a residential child-caring agency as defined in s. 409.175 and must be accredited by July 1, 2012. A safe house serving children who have been sexually exploited must have available staff or contract personnel with the clinical expertise, credentials, and training to provide services identified in paragraph (2)(b).
- (c) "Secure" means that a child is supervised 24 hours a day by staff members who are awake while on duty.
- (d) "Sexually exploited child" means a dependent child who has suffered sexual exploitation as defined in s. 39.01(67)(g) and is ineligible for relief and benefits under the federal Trafficking Victims Protection Act, 22 U.S.C. ss. 7101 et seq.

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- (e) "Short-term safe house" means a shelter operated by a licensed residential child-caring agency as defined in s.

  409.175, including a runaway youth center as defined in s.

  409.441, that has set aside gender-specific, separate, and distinct living quarters for sexually exploited children. In addition to shelter, the house shall provide services and care to sexually exploited children, including food, clothing, medical care, counseling, and appropriate crisis intervention services at the time they are taken into custody by law enforcement or the department.
- (2) (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, pursuant to regulations of the department, every circuit of the department shall address the child welfare service needs of sexually exploited children as a component of the circuit's master plan. This determination shall be made in consultation with local law enforcement, runaway and homeless youth program providers, local probation departments, local community-based care and social services, local guardians ad litem, public defenders, state attorney's offices, and child advocates and services providers who work directly with sexually exploited youth.
- (b) The lead agency, not-for-profit agency, or local government entity providing safe-house services is responsible for security, crisis intervention services, general counseling and victim-witness counseling, a comprehensive assessment, residential care, transportation, access to behavioral health services, recreational activities, food, clothing, supplies, infant care, and miscellaneous expenses associated with caring

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- for these children; for necessary arrangement for or provision of educational services, including life skills services and planning services to successfully transition residents back to the community; and for ensuring necessary and appropriate health and dental care.
- (c) This section does not prohibit any provider of these services from appropriately billing Medicaid for services rendered, from contracting with a local school district for educational services, or from obtaining federal or local funding for services provided, as long as two or more funding sources do not pay for the same specific service that has been provided to a child.
- (d) The lead agency, not-for-profit agency, or local government entity providing safe-house services has the legal authority for children served in a safe-house program, as provided in chapter 39 or this chapter, as appropriate, to enroll the child in school, to sign for a driver's license for the child, to cosign loans and insurance for the child, to sign for medical treatment of the child, and to authorize other such activities.
- (e) All of the services created under this section may, to the extent possible provided by law, be available to all sexually exploited children whether they are accessed voluntarily, as a condition of probation, through a diversion program, through a proceeding under chapter 39, or through a referral from a local community-based care or social service agency.

- (3) The local circuit administrator may, to the extent that funds are available, in conjunction with local law enforcement officials, contract with an appropriate not-for-profit agency having experience working with sexually exploited children to train law enforcement officials who are likely to encounter sexually exploited children in the course of their law enforcement duties on the provisions of this section and how to identify and obtain appropriate services for sexually exploited children. Circuits may work cooperatively to provide such training, and such training may be provided on a regional basis. The department shall assist circuits in obtaining any available funds for the purposes of conducting law enforcement training from the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention of the United States Department of Justice.
- Section 20. Effective January 1, 2012, paragraph (f) of subsection (2) of section 796.07, Florida Statutes, is republished, and subsection (6) of that section is amended, to read:
- 796.07 Prohibiting prostitution and related acts, etc.; evidence; penalties; definitions.—
  - (2) It is unlawful:
- (f) To solicit, induce, entice, or procure another to commit prostitution, lewdness, or assignation.
- (6) A person who violates paragraph (2)(f) shall be assessed a civil penalty of \$5,000 \$500 if the violation results in any judicial disposition other than acquittal or dismissal.

  Of the proceeds from each penalty penalties assessed under this subsection, \$500 shall be paid to the circuit court

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administrator for the sole purpose of paying the administrative costs of treatment-based drug court programs provided under s. 397.334 and \$4,500 shall be paid to the Department of Children and Family Services for the sole purpose of funding safe houses and short-term safe houses as provided in s. 409.1678.

Section 21. Effective January 1, 2012, section 960.065, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

960.065 Eligibility for awards.-

- (1) Except as provided in subsection (2), the following persons shall be eligible for awards pursuant to this chapter:
  - (a) A victim.
  - (b) An intervenor.
- (c) A surviving spouse, parent or guardian, sibling, or child of a deceased victim or intervenor.
- (d) Any other person who is dependent for his or her principal support upon a deceased victim or intervenor.
  - (2) Any claim filed by or on behalf of a person who:
- (a) Committed or aided in the commission of the crime upon which the claim for compensation was based;
- (b) Was engaged in an unlawful activity at the time of the crime upon which the claim for compensation is based;
- (c) Was in custody or confined, regardless of conviction, in a county or municipal detention facility, a state or federal correctional facility, or a juvenile detention or commitment facility at the time of the crime upon which the claim for compensation is based;
- (d) Has been adjudicated as a habitual felony offender, habitual violent offender, or violent career criminal under s.

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(e) Has been adjudicated guilty of a forcible felony offense as described in s. 776.08,

# is ineligible shall not be eligible for an award.

- (3) Any claim filed by or on behalf of a person who was in custody or confined, regardless of adjudication, in a county or municipal facility, a state or federal correctional facility, or a juvenile detention, commitment, or assessment facility at the time of the crime upon which the claim is based, who has been adjudicated as a habitual felony offender under s. 775.084, or who has been adjudicated guilty of a forcible felony offense as described in s. 776.08, renders the person ineligible shall not be eligible for an award. Notwithstanding the foregoing, upon a finding by the Crime Victims' Services Office of the existence of mitigating or special circumstances that would render such a disqualification unjust, an award may be approved. A decision that mitigating or special circumstances do not exist in a case subject to this section does shall not constitute final agency action subject to review pursuant to ss. 120.569 and 120.57.
- (4) Payment may not be made under this chapter if the person who committed the crime upon which the claim is based will receive any direct or indirect financial benefit from such payment, unless such benefit is minimal or inconsequential. Payment may not be denied based on the victim's familial relationship to the offender or based upon the sharing of a residence by the victim and offender, except to prevent unjust enrichment of the offender.

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(5) A person is not ineligible for an award pursuant to paragraph (2)(a), paragraph (2)(b), or paragraph (2)(c) if that person is a victim of sexual exploitation of a child as defined in s. 39.01(67)(g).

Section 22. Effective January 1, 2012, paragraph (b) of subsection (2) of section 985.115, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

985.115 Release or delivery from custody.-

- (2) Unless otherwise ordered by the court under s. 985.255 or s. 985.26, and unless there is a need to hold the child, a person taking a child into custody shall attempt to release the child as follows:
- (b) Contingent upon specific appropriation, to a shelter approved by the department or to an authorized agent or short-term safe house under s. 39.401(2)(b).

Section 23. Effective January 1, 2012, paragraph (i) of subsection (1) of section 985.145, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- 985.145 Responsibilities of juvenile probation officer during intake; screenings and assessments.—
- (1) The juvenile probation officer shall serve as the primary case manager for the purpose of managing, coordinating, and monitoring the services provided to the child. Each program administrator within the Department of Children and Family Services shall cooperate with the primary case manager in carrying out the duties and responsibilities described in this section. In addition to duties specified in other sections and through departmental rules, the assigned juvenile probation

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officer shall be responsible for the following:

Recommendation concerning a petition. - Upon determining that the report, affidavit, or complaint complies with the standards of a probable cause affidavit and that the interests of the child and the public will be best served, the juvenile probation officer may recommend that a delinquency petition not be filed. If such a recommendation is made, the juvenile probation officer shall advise in writing the person or agency making the report, affidavit, or complaint, the victim, if any, and the law enforcement agency having investigative jurisdiction over the offense of the recommendation; the reasons therefor; and that the person or agency may submit, within 10 days after the receipt of such notice, the report, affidavit, or complaint to the state attorney for special review. In the case of a report, affidavit, or complaint alleging a violation of s. 796.07(2)(f), there is a presumption that the juvenile probation officer recommend that a petition not be filed unless the child has previously been adjudicated delinquent. The state attorney, upon receiving a request for special review, shall consider the facts presented by the report, affidavit, or complaint, and by the juvenile probation officer who made the recommendation that no petition be filed, before making a final decision as to whether a petition or information should or should not be filed. Section 24. Effective January 1, 2012, paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section 985.15, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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independent of the action or lack of action of the juvenile probation officer and shall determine the action that is in the best interest of the public and the child. If the child meets the criteria requiring prosecution as an adult under s. 985.556, the state attorney shall request the court to transfer and certify the child for prosecution as an adult or shall provide written reasons to the court for not making such a request. In all other cases, the state attorney may:

(c) File a petition for delinquency. In the case of a report, affidavit, or complaint alleging a violation of s. 796.07(2)(f), there is a presumption that a petition not be filed unless the child has previously been adjudicated delinquent;

Section 25. If any provision of this act or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or applications of this act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this act are severable. This section shall take effect upon this act becoming a law.

Section 26. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this act and except for this section, which shall take effect upon this act becoming a law, this act shall take effect April 30, 2012.