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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to medical examiners; amending s.
3 382.011, F.S.; specifying the circumstances under
4 which a case must be referred to the district medical
5 examiner for determination of the cause of death;
6 amending s. 406.06, F.S.; prohibiting a medical
7 examiner or a county from charging a fee for specified
8 services; providing an effective date.
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10 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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12 Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 382.011, Florida
13 Statutes, is amended to read:

14 382.011 Medical examiner determination of cause of death.—

15 (1) In the case of any death or fetal death involving the
16 circumstances ~~due to causes or conditions~~ listed in s. 406.11(1)
17 ~~406.11~~, any death that occurred more than 12 months after the
18 decedent was last treated by a primary or attending physician as
19 defined in s. 382.008(3), or any death for which there is reason
20 to believe that the death may have been due to an unlawful act
21 or neglect, the funeral director or other person to whose
22 attention the death may come shall refer the case to the
23 district medical examiner of the county in which the death
24 occurred or the body was found for investigation and
25 determination of the cause of death.
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 Section 2. Subsection (3) of section 406.06, Florida

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27 Statutes, is amended to read:

28 406.06 District medical examiners; associates; suspension
29 of medical examiners.—

30 (3) District medical examiners and associate medical
31 examiners shall be entitled to compensation and such reasonable
32 salary and fees as are established by the board of county
33 commissioners in the respective districts. However, a medical
34 examiner or a county may not charge a member of the public a fee
35 for an examination, investigation, or autopsy performed pursuant
36 to s. 406.11.

37 Section 3. This act shall take effect October 1, 2016.