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1 A bill to be entitled 2 An act relating to the retail sale of 3 dextromethorphan; providing definitions; prohibiting a 4 retail entity from knowingly or willfully selling a 5 finished drug product containing dextromethorphan to a 6 person younger than 18 years of age; prohibiting a 7 person younger than 18 years of age from purchasing a 8 finished drug product containing dextromethorphan; 9 requiring a person making a retail sale of a finished 10 drug product containing any quantity of dextromethorphan to obtain certain proof of age from 11 12 the purchaser; providing an exception; providing penalties; providing applicability; preempting local 13 government regulation of dextromethorphan; providing 14 15 an effective date. 16 17 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 18 19 Section 1. Restrictions on sale of dextromethorphan.-As used in this section, the term: 20 21 (a) "Finished drug product" means a drug legally marketed 22 under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act that is in 23

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description or photograph of the person purchasing the finished

"Proof of age" means any document issued by a

governmental agency that contains the date of birth and a

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finished dosage form.

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drug product. The term includes, but is not limited to, a passport, military identification card, or driver license.

- (2) (a) A retail entity may not knowingly or willfully sell a finished drug product containing any quantity of dextromethorphan to a person younger than 18 years of age.
- (b) A person younger than 18 years of age may not purchase a finished drug product containing any quantity of dextromethorphan.
- (3) A person making a retail sale of a finished drug product containing any quantity of dextromethorphan must require and obtain proof of age from the purchaser before completing the sale, unless from the purchaser's outward appearance the person making the sale would reasonably presume the purchaser to be 25 years of age or older.
- (4) (a) A manufacturer, distributor, or retailer whose employee or representative, during the course of the employee's or representative's employment or association with the manufacturer, distributor, or retailer, sells dextromethorphan in violation of this section is subject to a \$100 fine, except that a manufacturer, distributor, or retailer who demonstrates a good faith effort to comply with this section is not subject to such penalty.
- (b) An employee or representative of a manufacturer, distributor, or retailer who, during the course of the employee's or representative's employment or association with the manufacturer, distributor, or retailer, sells

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dextromethorphan in violation of this section is subject to a \$25 fine.

- (c) A person who purchases dextromethorphan in violation of this section is subject to a \$25 fine.
- (d) A person who possesses or receives dextromethorphan in violation of this section, with the intent to distribute, is subject to a \$25 fine.
  - (5) This section does not:

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- (a) Impose any restriction on the placement of products in a retail store, direct access of customers to finished drug products, or the maintenance of transaction records.
- (b) Apply to a medication containing dextromethorphan that is sold by a retail entity pursuant to a valid prescription.
- (6) This section preempts any ordinance regulating the sale, distribution, receipt, or possession of dextromethorphan enacted by a county, municipality, or other political subdivision of the state, and dextromethorphan is not subject to further regulation by such political subdivisions.
- Section 2. This act shall take effect January 1, 2017.