By Senator Richter

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1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to licensure of health care
3	professionals; amending s. 381.0034, F.S.; deleting
4	the requirement that applicants making initial
5	application for certain licensure complete certain
6	courses; amending s. 456.013, F.S.; revising course
7	requirements for renewing a certain license; amending
8	s. 456.024, F.S.; providing for the issuance of a
9	license to practice under certain conditions to a
10	military health care practitioner in a profession for
11	which licensure in a state or jurisdiction is not
12	required to practice in the military; providing for
13	the issuance of a temporary professional license under
14	certain conditions to the spouse of an active duty
15	member of the Armed Forces of the United States who is
16	a healthcare practitioner in a profession for which
17	licensure in a state or jurisdiction may not be
18	required; deleting the requirement that an applicant
19	who is issued a temporary professional license to
20	practice as a dentist must practice under the indirect
21	supervision of a licensed dentist; amending s.
22	456.025, F.S.; deleting the requirement for an annual
23	meeting of chairpersons of Division of Medical Quality
24	Assurance boards and professions; deleting the
25	requirement that certain recommendations be included
26	in a report to the Legislature; deleting a requirement
27	that the Department of Health set license fees and
28	recommend fee cap increases in certain circumstances;
29	providing that a profession may operate at a deficit

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30	for a certain time period; deleting a provision
31	authorizing the department to advance funds under
32	certain circumstances; deleting a requirement that the
33	department implement an electronic continuing
34	education tracking system; authorizing the department
35	to waive specified costs under certain circumstances;
36	revising legislative intent; deleting a prohibition
37	against the expenditure of funds by the department
38	from the account of a profession to pay for the
39	expenses of another profession; deleting a requirement
40	that the department include certain information in an
41	annual report to the Legislature; creating s.
42	456.0361, F.S.; requiring the department to establish
43	an electronic continuing education tracking system;
44	prohibiting the department from renewing a license
45	unless the licensee has complied with all continuing
46	education requirements; authorizing the department to
47	adopt rules; amending s. 456.057, F.S.; revising a
48	provision for a person or an entity appointed by the
49	board to be approved by the department; authorizing
50	the department to contract with a third party to
51	provide record custodian services; amending s.
52	456.0635, F.S.; deleting a provision on applicability
53	relating to the issuance of licenses; amending s.
54	456.076, F.S.; defining terms; providing for approval
55	of treatment programs by department rule; providing
56	that the department is not responsible for paying for
57	the care provided by approved treatment programs or
58	for consultant services; deleting a requirement for a

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59	communication from a consultant to the State Surgeon
60	General; conforming provisions to changes made by the
61	act; amending s. 457.107, F.S.; deleting a provision
62	authorizing the Board of Acupuncture to request
63	certain documentation from applicants; amending s.
64	458.347, F.S.; deleting a requirement that a physician
65	assistant file a signed affidavit with the department;
66	amending s. 463.007, F.S.; making technical changes;
67	amending s. 464.203, F.S.; revising inservice training
68	requirements for certified nursing assistants;
69	deleting a rulemaking requirement; repealing s.
70	464.2085, F.S., relating to the Council on Certified
71	Nursing Assistants; amending s. 465.0276, F.S.;
72	deleting a requirement that the department inspect
73	certain facilities; amending s. 466.0135, F.S.;
74	deleting a requirement that a dentist file a signed
75	affidavit with the department; deleting a provision
76	authorizing the Board of Dentistry to request certain
77	documentation from applicants; amending s. 466.014,
78	F.S.; deleting a requirement that a dental hygienist
79	file a signed affidavit with the department; deleting
80	a provision authorizing the board to request certain
81	documentation from applicants; amending s. 466.032,
82	F.S.; deleting a requirement that a dental laboratory
83	file a signed affidavit with the department; deleting
84	a provision authorizing the department to request
85	certain documentation from applicants; repealing s.
86	468.1201, F.S., relating to a requirement for
87	instruction on human immunodeficiency virus and

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88	acquired immune deficiency syndrome; amending s.
89	483.901, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to the
90	Advisory Council of Medical Physicists in the
91	department; authorizing the department to issue
92	temporary licenses in certain circumstances;
93	authorizing the department to adopt rules; amending s.
94	484.047, F.S.; deleting a requirement for a written
95	statement from an applicant in certain circumstances;
96	amending s. 486.109, F.S.; deleting a provision
97	authorizing the department to conduct a random audit
98	for certain information; amending ss. 458.331,
99	459.015, 499.028, and 921.0022, F.S.; conforming
100	cross-references; providing an effective date.
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102	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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104	Section 1. Subsection (3) of section 381.0034, Florida
105	Statutes, is amended to read:
106	381.0034 Requirement for instruction on HIV and AIDS
107	(3) The department shall require, as a condition of
108	granting a license under <u>chapter 467 or part III of chapter 483</u>
109	the chapters specified in subsection (1), that an applicant
110	making initial application for licensure complete an educational
111	course acceptable to the department on human immunodeficiency
112	virus and acquired immune deficiency syndrome. Upon submission
113	of an affidavit showing good cause, an applicant who has not
114	taken a course at the time of licensure <u>must</u> shall, upon an
115	$rac{affidavit showing good cause,}$ be allowed 6 months to complete
116	this requirement.

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23-00631-16 2016918_ 117 Section 2. Subsection (7) of section 456.013, Florida 118 Statutes, is amended to read:

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456.013 Department; general licensing provisions.-

120 (7) The boards, or the department when there is no board, shall require the completion of a 2-hour course relating to 121 prevention of medical errors as part of the biennial licensure 122 123 and renewal process. The 2-hour course counts toward shall count 124 towards the total number of continuing education hours required 125 for the profession. The course must shall be approved by the 126 board or department, as appropriate, and must shall include a 127 study of root-cause analysis, error reduction and prevention, and patient safety. In addition, the course approved by the 128 129 Board of Medicine and the Board of Osteopathic Medicine must 130 shall include information relating to the five most misdiagnosed 131 conditions during the previous biennium, as determined by the 132 board. If the course is being offered by a facility licensed 133 pursuant to chapter 395 for its employees, the board may approve 134 up to 1 hour of the 2-hour course to be specifically related to 135 error reduction and prevention methods used in that facility.

Section 3. Paragraph (a) of subsection (3) and paragraphs (a) and (j) of subsection (4) of section 456.024, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

139 456.024 Members of Armed Forces in good standing with 140 administrative boards or the department; spouses; licensure.-

(3) A person who serves or has served as a health care
practitioner in the United States Armed Forces, United States
Reserve Forces, or the National Guard or a person who serves or
has served on active duty with the United States Armed Forces as
a health care practitioner in the United States Public Health

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146	Service is eligible for licensure in this state. The department
147	shall develop an application form, and each board, or the
148	department if there is no board, shall waive the application
149	fee, licensure fee, and unlicensed activity fee for such
150	applicants. For purposes of this subsection, "health care
151	practitioner" means a health care practitioner as defined in s.
152	456.001 and a person licensed under part III of chapter 401 or
153	part IV of chapter 468.
154	(a) The board, or department if there is no board, shall
155	issue a license to practice in this state to a person who:
156	1. Submits a complete application.
157	2. Receives an honorable discharge within 6 months before,
158	or will receive an honorable discharge within 6 months after,
159	the date of submission of the application.
160	3. Holds an active, unencumbered license issued by another
161	state, the District of Columbia, or a possession or territory of
162	the United States and who has not had disciplinary action taken
163	against him or her in the 5 years preceding the date of
164	submission of the application, or who is a military health care
165	practitioner in a profession for which licensure in a state or
166	jurisdiction is not required to practice in the United States
167	Armed Services, who provides evidence of military training or
168	experience substantially equivalent to the requirements for
169	licensure in this state in that profession, and who obtained a
170	passing score on the appropriate examination of a national
171	standards organization if required for licensure in this state.
172	4. Attests that he or she is not, at the time of
173	submission, the subject of a disciplinary proceeding in a
174	jurisdiction in which he or she holds a license or by the United

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States Department of Defense for reasons related to the practice
of the profession for which he or she is applying.
5. Actively practiced the profession for which he or she is
applying for the 3 years preceding the date of submission of the
application.
6. Submits a set of fingerprints for a background screening
pursuant to s. 456.0135, if required for the profession for
which he or she is applying.
The department shall verify information submitted by the
applicant under this subsection using the National Practitioner
Data Bank.
(4)(a) The board, or the department if there is no board,
may issue a temporary professional license to the spouse of an
active duty member of the Armed Forces of the United States who
submits to the department:
1. A completed application upon a form prepared and
furnished by the department in accordance with the board's
rules;
2. The required application fee;
3. Proof that the applicant is married to a member of the
Armed Forces of the United States who is on active duty;
4. Proof that the applicant holds a valid license for the
profession issued by another state, the District of Columbia, or
a possession or territory of the United States, and is not the
subject of any disciplinary proceeding in any jurisdiction in
which the applicant holds a license to practice a profession
regulated by this chapter, or is a health care practitioner in a
profession for which licensure in another state or jurisdiction

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204	may not be required, who provides evidence of training or
205	experience substantially equivalent to the requirements for
206	licensure in this state in that profession and proof of a
207	passing score on the appropriate examination of a national
208	standards organization if required for licensure in this state;
209	and
210	5. Proof that the applicant's spouse is assigned to a duty
211	station in this state pursuant to the member's official active
212	duty military orders <u>.; and</u>
213	6. Proof that the applicant would otherwise be entitled to
214	full licensure under the appropriate practice act, and is
215	eligible to take the respective licensure examination as
216	required in Florida.
217	(j) An applicant who is issued a temporary professional
218	license to practice as a dentist pursuant to this section must
219	practice under the indirect supervision, as defined in s.
220	466.003, of a dentist licensed pursuant to chapter 466.
221	Section 4. Present subsections (3) through (11) of section
222	456.025, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as subsections (2)
223	through (10), respectively, and present subsections (2), (3),
224	(7), and (8) of that section are amended, to read:
225	456.025 Fees; receipts; disposition
226	(2) The chairpersons of the boards and councils listed in
227	s. 20.43(3)(g) shall meet annually at division headquarters to
228	review the long-range policy plan required by s. 456.005 and
229	current and proposed fee schedules. The chairpersons shall make
230	recommendations for any necessary statutory changes relating to
231	fees and fee caps. Such recommendations shall be compiled by the
232	Department of Health and be included in the annual report to the
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233	Legislature required by s. 456.026 as well as be included in the
234	long-range policy plan required by s. 456.005.
235	(2) (3) Each board within the jurisdiction of the
236	department, or the department when there is no board, shall
237	determine by rule the amount of license fees for the profession
238	it regulates, based upon long-range estimates prepared by the
239	department of the revenue required to implement laws relating to
240	the regulation of professions by the department and the board.
241	Each board, or the department if there is no board, shall ensure
242	that license fees are adequate to cover all anticipated costs
243	and to maintain a reasonable cash balance, as determined by rule
244	of the agency, with advice of the applicable board. $rac{\mathrm{H}}{\mathrm{H}}$
245	sufficient action is not taken by a board within 1 year after
246	notification by the department that license fees are projected
247	to be inadequate, the department shall set license fees on
248	behalf of the applicable board to cover anticipated costs and to
249	maintain the required cash balance. The department shall include
250	recommended fee cap increases in its annual report to the
251	Legislature. Further, it is the intent of the Legislature
252	legislative intent that <u>a</u> no regulated profession <u>not</u> operate
253	with a negative cash balance. If, however, a profession's fees
254	are at their statutory fee cap and the requirements of
255	subsections (1) and (4) are met, a profession may operate at a
256	deficit until the deficit is eliminated The department may
257	provide by rule for advancing sufficient funds to any profession
258	operating with a negative cash balance. The advancement may be
259	for a period not to exceed 2 consecutive years, and the
260	regulated profession must pay interest. Interest shall be
261	calculated at the current rate earned on investments of a trust

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fund used by the department to implement this chapter. Interest earned shall be allocated to the various funds in accordance with the allocation of investment earnings during the period of the advance.

266 (6) (7) Each board, or the department if there is no board, 267 shall establish \overline{r} by rule \overline{r} a fee of up to not to exceed \$250 for 268 anyone seeking approval to provide continuing education courses 269 or programs and shall establish by rule a biennial renewal fee 270 of up to not to exceed \$250 for the renewal of an approval to 271 provide providership of such courses. The fees collected from 272 continuing education providers shall be used for the purposes of 273 reviewing course provider applications, monitoring the integrity 274 of the courses provided, covering legal expenses incurred as a 275 result of not granting or renewing an approval a providership, and developing and maintaining an electronic continuing 276 277 education tracking system pursuant to s. 456.0361. The 278 department shall implement an electronic continuing education 279 tracking system for each new biennial renewal cycle for which 280 electronic renewals are implemented after the effective date of 281 this act and shall integrate such system into the licensure and 282 renewal system. All approved continuing education providers 283 shall provide information on course attendance to the department 284 necessary to implement the electronic tracking system. The 285 department shall, by rule, specify the form and procedures by which the information is to be submitted. 286

287 <u>(7)(8)</u> All moneys collected by the department from fees or 288 fines or from costs awarded to the agency by a court shall be 289 paid into a trust fund used by the department to implement this 290 chapter. The Legislature shall appropriate funds from this trust

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23-00631-16 2016918 291 fund sufficient to administer carry out this chapter and the 292 provisions of law with respect to professions regulated by the 293 Division of Medical Quality Assurance within the department and 294 the boards. The department may contract with public and private 295 entities to receive and deposit revenue pursuant to this 296 section. The department shall maintain separate accounts in the 297 trust fund used by the department to implement this chapter for 298 every profession within the department. To the maximum extent 299 possible, the department shall directly charge all expenses to the account of each regulated profession. For the purpose of 300 301 this subsection, direct charge expenses include, but are not 302 limited to, costs for investigations, examinations, and legal 303 services. For expenses that cannot be charged directly, the 304 department shall provide for the proportionate allocation among 305 the accounts of expenses incurred by the department in the 306 performance of its duties with respect to each regulated 307 profession. If a profession has established renewal fees that 308 meet the requirements of subsection (1), has fees that are at 309 the statutory fee cap, and has been operating in a deficit for 2 310 or more fiscal years, the department may waive allocated 311 administrative and operational indirect costs until such time as 312 the profession has a positive cash balance. The costs related to 313 administration and operations include, but are not limited to, 314 the costs of the director's office and the costs of system 315 support, communications, central records, and other such 316 administrative functions. Such waived costs shall be allocated 317 to the other professions that must meet the requirements of this 318 section, and cash in the unlicensed activity account under s. 319 456.065 of the profession whose costs have been waived shall be

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349	applicable continuing education requirements and to determine
350	whether a licensee is in full compliance with the requirements
351	at the time of his or her application for license renewal. The
352	tracking system shall be integrated into the department's
353	licensure and renewal process.
354	(2) The department may not renew a license until the
355	licensee complies with all applicable continuing education
356	requirements. This subsection does not prohibit the department
357	or the boards from imposing additional penalties under the
358	applicable professional practice act or applicable rules for
359	failure to comply with continuing education requirements.
360	(3) The department may adopt rules to implement this
361	section.
362	Section 6. Subsection (20) of section 456.057, Florida
363	Statutes, is amended to read:
364	456.057 Ownership and control of patient records; report or
365	copies of records to be furnished; disclosure of information
366	(20) The board with department approval, or department when
367	there is no board, may temporarily or permanently appoint a
368	person or <u>an</u> entity as a custodian of medical records in the
369	event of the death of a practitioner, the mental or physical
370	incapacitation of <u>a</u> the practitioner, or the abandonment of
371	medical records by a practitioner. <u>Such</u> The custodian appointed
372	shall comply with all provisions of this section <u>. The department</u>
373	may contract with a third party to provide these services under
374	the confidentiality and disclosure requirements of this section $_{m{ au}}$
375	including the release of patient records.
376	Section 7. Subsection (2) of section 456.0635, Florida
377	Statutes, is amended to read:

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23-00631-16 2016918_ 378 456.0635 Health care fraud; disqualification for license, 379 certificate, or registration.-380 (2) Each board within the jurisdiction of the department, 381 or the department if there is no board, shall refuse to admit a 382 candidate to any examination and refuse to issue a license,

383 certificate, or registration to any applicant if the candidate 384 or applicant or any principal, officer, agent, managing 385 employee, or affiliated person of the applicant:

386 (a) Has been convicted of, or entered a plea of guilty or 387 nolo contendere to, regardless of adjudication, a felony under 388 chapter 409, chapter 817, or chapter 893, or a similar felony 389 offense committed in another state or jurisdiction, unless the 390 candidate or applicant has successfully completed a drug court 391 program for that felony and provides proof that the plea has 392 been withdrawn or the charges have been dismissed. Any such 393 conviction or plea shall exclude the applicant or candidate from 394 licensure, examination, certification, or registration unless 395 the sentence and any subsequent period of probation for such 396 conviction or plea ended:

397 1. For felonies of the first or second degree, more than 15398 years before the date of application.

399 2. For felonies of the third degree, more than 10 years 400 before the date of application, except for felonies of the third 401 degree under s. 893.13(6)(a).

402 3. For felonies of the third degree under s. 893.13(6)(a),
403 more than 5 years before the date of application;

404 (b) Has been convicted of, or entered a plea of guilty or
405 nolo contendere to, regardless of adjudication, a felony under
406 21 U.S.C. ss. 801-970, or 42 U.S.C. ss. 1395-1396, unless the

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23-00631-16 2016918 407 sentence and any subsequent period of probation for such 408 conviction or plea ended more than 15 years before the date of 409 the application; 410 (c) Has been terminated for cause from the Florida Medicaid 411 program pursuant to s. 409.913, unless the candidate or applicant has been in good standing with the Florida Medicaid 412 413 program for the most recent 5 years; 414 (d) Has been terminated for cause, pursuant to the appeals procedures established by the state, from any other state 415 416 Medicaid program, unless the candidate or applicant has been in 417 good standing with a state Medicaid program for the most recent 418 5 years and the termination occurred at least 20 years before 419 the date of the application; or 420 (e) Is currently listed on the United States Department of 421 Health and Human Services Office of Inspector General's List of 422 Excluded Individuals and Entities. 423 424 This subsection does not apply to candidates or applicants for 425 initial licensure or certification who were enrolled in an 426 educational or training program on or before July 1, 2009, which 427 was recognized by a board or, if there is no board, recognized 428 by the department, and who applied for licensure after July 1, 429 430 Section 8. Present subsections (1) through (9) of section 456.076, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as subsections (2) 431 432 through (10), respectively, a new subsection (1) is added to 433 that section, and present subsection (1), paragraph (c) of 434 present subsection (2), present subsection (3), paragraphs (a), (c), (e), and (f) of present subsection (4), and present 435

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436	subsections (6), (8), and (9) of that section are amended, to
437	read:
438	456.076 Treatment programs for impaired practitioners
439	(1) As used in this section, the term:
440	(a) "Approved impaired practitioner program" means a
441	program designated by the department to provide services for
442	impaired practitioners through a contract that requires the
443	program to initiate interventions and to recommend evaluations
444	of impaired practitioners, refer impaired practitioners to
445	approved treatment programs or approved treatment providers, and
446	monitor the progress of impaired practitioners during treatment.
447	Approved impaired practitioner programs may not provide medical
448	services.
449	(b) "Approved treatment program" means a state-licensed or
450	nationally accredited residential, intensive outpatient, partial
451	hospital, or other treatment program that employs a
452	multidisciplinary team of providers to treat an impaired
453	practitioner based on the impaired practitioner's individual
454	diagnosis and a treatment plan for the impaired practitioner
455	approved by the consultant who referred the impaired
456	practitioner to the treatment program.
457	(c) "Approved treatment provider" means a state-licensed or
458	nationally certified individual with experience in the treatment
459	of specific types of impairment who provides treatment to an
460	impaired practitioner based on the impaired practitioner's
461	individual diagnosis and a treatment plan for the impaired
462	practitioner approved by the consultant who referred the
463	impaired practitioner to the treatment provider, or a treatment
464	program employing such individual.

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	(d) "Consultant" means an approved impaired practitioner
466	program and the program's medical director. Consultants must
467	receive allegations of a practitioner's impairment, intervene or
468	arrange for an intervention with the practitioner, refer an
469	impaired practitioner to an approved treatment program or an
470	approved treatment provider, monitor and evaluate the progress
471	of treatment of an impaired practitioner, and monitor the
472	continued care provided by an approved treatment program or an
473	approved treatment provider to an impaired practitioner.
474	<u>(2)</u> For professions <u>whose practice acts do not provide</u>
475	for that do not have impaired practitioner programs provided for
476	in their practice acts, the department shall, by rule, designate
477	by rule approved impaired practitioner programs under this
478	section. The department may adopt rules setting forth
479	appropriate criteria for approval of treatment providers <u>and</u>
480	treatment programs. The rules may specify the manner in which
481	the consultant, retained as <u>provided</u> set forth in subsection (3)
482	subsection (2) , works with the department in intervention <u>;</u> ,
483	requirements for evaluating and treating a professional ${ m and}_{m au}$
484	requirements for continued care of impaired professionals by
485	approved treatment providers; requirements for $_{ au}$ continued
486	monitoring by the consultant of the care provided by approved
487	treatment providers and approved treatment programs regarding
488	the professionals under their care $\underline{\cdot}_{\mathcal{T}}$ and requirements related to
489	the consultant's expulsion of professionals from the <u>approved</u>
490	impaired practitioner program.
491	<u>(3)</u> (2)

492 (c)1. The consultant shall assist the probable cause panel493 and the department in carrying out the responsibilities of this

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23-00631-16 2016918 494 section. This includes working with department investigators to 495 determine whether a practitioner is, in fact, impaired. 496 2. The consultant may contract with a school or program to 497 provide services to a student enrolled for the purpose of 498 preparing for licensure as a health care practitioner as defined 499 in this chapter or as a veterinarian under chapter 474 if the 500 student is allegedly impaired as a result of the misuse or abuse 501 of alcohol or drugs, or both, or due to a mental or physical 502 condition. The department is not responsible for paying for the 503 care provided by approved treatment providers or approved 504 treatment programs or for consultant services a consultant. 505 (4) (3) Before certifying or declining to certify an 506 application for licensure to the department, each board and 507 profession within the Division of Medical Quality Assurance may 508 delegate to its chair or other designee its authority to 509 determine, before certifying or declining to certify an 510 application for licensure to the department, that an applicant 511 for licensure under its jurisdiction may be impaired as a result 512 of the misuse or abuse of alcohol or drugs, or both, or due to a 513 mental or physical condition that could affect the applicant's 514 ability to practice with skill and safety. Upon such 515 determination, the chair or other designee may refer the applicant to the consultant for an evaluation before the board 516 certifies or declines to certify his or her application to the 517 department. If the applicant agrees to be evaluated by the 518 519 consultant, the department's deadline for approving or denying 520 the application pursuant to s. 120.60(1) is tolled until the 521 evaluation is completed and the result of the evaluation and recommendation by the consultant is communicated to the board by 522

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23-00631-16 2016918 523 the consultant. If the applicant declines to be evaluated by the 524 consultant, the board shall certify or decline to certify the 525 applicant's application to the department notwithstanding the 526 lack of an evaluation and recommendation by the consultant. 527 (5) (4) (a) When Whenever the department receives a written 528 or oral, legally sufficient complaint alleging that a licensee 529 under the jurisdiction of the Division of Medical Quality 530 Assurance within the department is impaired as a result of the misuse or abuse of alcohol or drugs, or both, or due to a mental 531 532 or physical condition which could affect the licensee's ability 533 to practice with skill and safety, and no complaint against the 534 licensee other than impairment exists, the reporting of such 535 information does shall not constitute grounds for discipline 536 pursuant to s. 456.072 or the corresponding grounds for 537 discipline within the applicable practice act if the probable 538 cause panel of the appropriate board, or the department when 539 there is no board, finds: 540 1. The licensee has acknowledged his or her the impairment

541 problem.

542 2. The licensee has voluntarily enrolled in an appropriate,543 approved treatment program.

3. The licensee has voluntarily withdrawn from practice or has limited the scope of <u>his or her</u> practice as required by the consultant, in each case, until such time as the panel, or the department when there is no board, is satisfied the licensee has successfully completed an approved treatment program.

549 4. The licensee has executed releases for medical records, 550 authorizing the release to the consultant of all records of 551 evaluations, diagnoses, and treatment of the licensee, including

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552	records of treatment for emotional or mental conditions, to the
553	consultant . The consultant <u>may not</u> shall make no copies or
554	reports of records that <u>are unrelated to</u> do not regard the issue
555	of the licensee's impairment and his or her participation in <u>an</u>
556	<u>approved</u> a treatment program.
557	(c) Inquiries <u>by a licensee or others</u> related to <u>approved</u>
558	impairment treatment programs which are intended designed to
559	allow provide information to the licensee and others to obtain
560	information and which do not indicate that the licensee presents
561	a danger to the public <u>do</u> shall not constitute a complaint
562	within the meaning of s. 456.073 and <u>are</u> shall be exempt from
563	the provisions of this subsection.
564	(e) The probable cause panel, or the department when there
565	is no board, shall work directly with the consultant, and all
566	information concerning a practitioner obtained from the
567	consultant by the panel, or the department when there is no
568	board, shall remain confidential and exempt from the provisions
569	of s. 119.07(1), subject to the provisions of subsections (7)
570	and (8) subsections (6) and (7).
571	(f) A finding of probable cause may shall not be made <u>if</u> ,
572	based upon information it receives from the consultant and the
573	department, as long as the panel, or the department when there
574	is no board, is satisfied, based upon information it receives
575	$rac{from the consultant and the department, that the licensee is$
576	progressing satisfactorily in an approved impaired practitioner
577	treatment program and it is determined that no other complaint

579 <u>(7)(6)</u>(a) <u>Upon request</u>, an approved treatment provider 580 shall, upon request, disclose to the consultant all information

has been made against the licensee exists.

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23-00631-16 2016918 in his or her its possession regarding the issue of a licensee's 581 582 impairment and the licensee's participation in the approved 583 treatment program. All information obtained by the consultant 584 and department pursuant to this section is confidential and 585 exempt from the provisions of s. 119.07(1), subject to the 586 provisions of this subsection and subsection (8) (7). Failure to 587 provide such information to the consultant is grounds for 588 withdrawal of approval of the approved treatment such program or 589 provider. 590 (b) If, after consultation with the approved treatment 591 provider, in the opinion of the consultant believes that, after 592 consultation with the treatment provider, an impaired licensee 593 has not progressed satisfactorily in an approved a treatment 594 program, all information regarding the issue of a licensee's impairment and participation in the approved a treatment program 595 596 which is in the consultant's possession shall be disclosed to 597 the department. Such disclosure constitutes shall constitute a 598 complaint pursuant to the general provisions of s. 456.073. 599 Whenever the consultant concludes that impairment affects a 600 licensee's practice and constitutes an immediate, serious danger 601 to the public health, safety, or welfare, that conclusion shall 602 be communicated to the State Surgeon General. 603

603 (9)(8)(a) A consultant retained pursuant to subsection (3) 604 subsection (2), a consultant's officers and employees, and those 605 acting at the direction of the consultant for the limited 606 purpose of an emergency intervention on behalf of a licensee or 607 student as described in <u>subsection (3)</u> subsection (2) when the 608 consultant is unable to perform such intervention shall be 609 considered agents of the department for purposes of s. 768.28

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23-00631-16 2016918 610 while acting within the scope of the consultant's duties under 611 the contract with the department if the contract complies with 612 the requirements of this section. The contract must require 613 that: 614 1. The consultant indemnify the state for any liabilities 615 incurred up to the limits set out in chapter 768. 616 2. The consultant establish a quality assurance program to 617 monitor services delivered under the contract. 3. The consultant's quality assurance program, treatment, 618 619 and monitoring records be evaluated quarterly. 620 4. The consultant's quality assurance program be subject to 621 review and approval by the department. 622 5. The consultant operate under policies and procedures 623 approved by the department. 624 6. The consultant provide to the department for approval a 625 policy and procedure manual that comports with all statutes, 626 rules, and contract provisions approved by the department. 627 7. The department be entitled to review the records 628 relating to the consultant's performance under the contract for 629 the purpose of management audits, financial audits, or program 630 evaluation. 631 8. All performance measures and standards be subject to 632 verification and approval by the department. 633 9. The department be entitled to terminate the contract 634 with the consultant for noncompliance with the contract. 635 (b) In accordance with s. 284.385, the Department of 636 Financial Services shall defend any claim, suit, action, or 637 proceeding, including a claim, suit, action, or proceeding for injunctive, affirmative, or declaratory relief, against the 638 Page 22 of 61

23-00631-16 2016918 639 consultant, the consultant's officers or employees, or those 640 acting at the direction of the consultant for the limited 641 purpose of an emergency intervention on behalf of a licensee or 642 student as described in subsection (3) subsection (2) when the 643 consultant is unable to perform such intervention, which claim, 644 suit, action, or proceeding is brought as a result of an act or 645 omission by any of the consultant's officers and employees and 646 those acting under the direction of the consultant for the limited purpose of an emergency intervention on behalf of the 647 648 licensee or student when the consultant is unable to perform 649 such intervention, if the act or omission arises out of and is 650 in the scope of the consultant's duties under its contract with 651 the department.

652 (c) If the consultant retained pursuant to subsection (3) 653 subsection (2) is retained by any other state agency, and if the 654 contract between such state agency and the consultant complies 655 with the requirements of this section, the consultant, the 656 consultant's officers and employees, and those acting under the 657 direction of the consultant for the limited purpose of an 658 emergency intervention on behalf of a licensee or student as 659 described in subsection (3) subsection (2) when the consultant 660 is unable to perform such intervention shall be considered 661 agents of the state for the purposes of this section while 662 acting within the scope of and pursuant to guidelines 663 established in the contract between such state agency and the 664 consultant.

665 (10) (9) An impaired practitioner consultant is the official 666 custodian of records relating to the referral of an impaired 667 licensee or applicant to that consultant and any other

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668	interaction between the licensee or applicant and the
669	consultant. The consultant may disclose to the impaired licensee
670	or applicant or his or her designee any information that is
671	disclosed to or obtained by the consultant or that is
672	confidential under <u>paragraph (7)(a)</u> paragraph (6)(a) , but only
673	to the extent that it is necessary to do so to carry out the
674	consultant's duties under this section. The department, and any
675	other entity that enters into a contract with the consultant to
676	receive the services of the consultant, has direct
677	administrative control over the consultant to the extent
678	necessary to receive disclosures from the consultant as allowed
679	by federal law. If a disciplinary proceeding is pending, an
680	impaired licensee may obtain such information from the
681	department under s. 456.073.
682	Section 9. Subsection (3) of section 457.107, Florida
683	Statutes, is amended to read:
684	457.107 Renewal of licenses; continuing education
685	(3) The board shall by rule prescribe <u>by rule</u> continuing
686	education requirements <u>of up to</u> , not to exceed 30 hours
687	biennially $_{ au}$ as a condition for renewal of a license. All
688	education programs that contribute to the advancement,
689	extension, or enhancement of professional skills and knowledge
690	related to the practice of acupuncture, whether conducted by a
691	nonprofit or profitmaking entity, are eligible for approval. The
692	continuing professional education requirements must be in
693	acupuncture or oriental medicine subjects, including, but not
694	limited to, anatomy, biological sciences, adjunctive therapies,
695	sanitation and sterilization, emergency protocols, and diseases.
696	The board <u>may</u> shall have the authority to set a fee <u>of up to</u> $ au$
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697	not to exceed \$100, for each continuing education provider. The
698	licensee shall retain in his or her records the certificates of
699	completion of continuing professional education requirements $rac{ extsf{to}}{ extsf{to}}$
700	prove compliance with this subsection. The board may request
701	such documentation without cause from applicants who are
702	selected at random. All national and state acupuncture and
703	oriental medicine organizations and acupuncture and oriental
704	medicine schools are approved to provide continuing professional
705	education in accordance with this subsection.
706	Section 10. Paragraph (e) of subsection (4) of section
707	458.347, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
708	458.347 Physician assistants
709	(4) PERFORMANCE OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS
710	(e) A supervisory physician may delegate to a fully
711	licensed physician assistant the authority to prescribe or
712	dispense any medication used in the supervisory physician's
713	practice unless such medication is listed on the formulary
714	created pursuant to paragraph (f). A fully licensed physician
715	assistant may only prescribe or dispense such medication under
716	the following circumstances:
717	1. A physician assistant must clearly identify to the
718	patient that he or she is a physician assistant <u>and</u> .
719	Furthermore, the physician assistant must inform the patient
720	that the patient has the right to see the physician <u>before a</u>
721	prior to any prescription <u>is</u> being prescribed or dispensed by
722	the physician assistant.
723	2. The supervisory physician must notify the department of
724	his or her intent to delegate, on a department-approved form,
725	before delegating such authority and notify the department of

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     any change in prescriptive privileges of the physician
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     assistant. Authority to dispense may be delegated only by a
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     supervising physician who is registered as a dispensing
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     practitioner in compliance with s. 465.0276.
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          3. The physician assistant must complete file with the
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     department a signed affidavit that he or she has completed a
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     minimum of 10 continuing medical education hours in the
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     specialty practice in which the physician assistant has
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     prescriptive privileges with each licensure renewal application.
          4. The department may issue a prescriber number to the
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     physician assistant granting authority for the prescribing of
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     medicinal drugs authorized within this paragraph upon completion
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     of the foregoing requirements of this paragraph. The physician
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     assistant is shall not be required to independently register
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     pursuant to s. 465.0276.
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          5. The prescription must be written in a form that complies
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     with chapter 499 and, in addition to the supervisory physician's
     name, address, and telephone number, must contain, in addition
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     to the supervisory physician's name, address, and telephone
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     number, the physician assistant's prescriber number. Unless it
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     is a drug or drug sample dispensed by the physician assistant,
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     the prescription must be filled in a pharmacy permitted under
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     chapter 465 and must be dispensed in that pharmacy by a
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     pharmacist licensed under chapter 465. The inclusion appearance
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     of the prescriber number creates a presumption that the
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     physician assistant is authorized to prescribe the medicinal
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     drug and the prescription is valid.
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753 6. The physician assistant must note the prescription or754 dispensing of medication in the appropriate medical record.

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23-00631-16 2016918 755 Section 11. Subsection (3) of section 463.007, Florida 756 Statutes, is amended to read: 757 463.007 Renewal of license; continuing education.-758 (3) As a condition of license renewal, a licensee must 759 Unless otherwise provided by law, the board shall require 760 licensees to periodically demonstrate his or her their 761 professional competence, as a condition of renewal of a license, 762 by completing up to 30 hours of continuing education during the 763 2-year period preceding license renewal. For certified 764 optometrists, the 30-hour continuing education requirement 765 includes shall include 6 or more hours of approved transcript-766 quality coursework in ocular and systemic pharmacology and the 767 diagnosis, treatment, and management of ocular and systemic 768 conditions and diseases during the 2-year period preceding 769 application for license renewal. Section 12. Subsection (7) of section 464.203, Florida 770 771 Statutes, is amended to read: 772 464.203 Certified nursing assistants; certification 773 requirement.-774 (7) A certified nursing assistant shall complete 24 12 775 hours of inservice training during each biennium calendar year. 776 The certified nursing assistant shall maintain be responsible 777 for maintaining documentation demonstrating compliance with 778 these provisions. The Council on Certified Nursing Assistants, 779 in accordance with s. 464.2085(2)(b), shall propose rules to 780 implement this subsection. 781 Section 13. Section 464.2085, Florida Statutes, is 782 repealed. Section 14. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) and subsection 783

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23-00631-16 2016918 784 (3) of section 465.0276, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 785 465.0276 Dispensing practitioner.-786 (1)787 (b) A practitioner registered under this section may not 788 dispense a controlled substance listed in Schedule II or 789 Schedule III as provided in s. 893.03. This paragraph does not 790 apply to: 791 1. The dispensing of complimentary packages of medicinal 792 drugs which are labeled as a drug sample or complimentary drug 793 as defined in s. 499.028 to the practitioner's own patients in 794 the regular course of her or his practice without the payment of 795 a fee or remuneration of any kind, whether direct or indirect, 796 as provided in subsection (4) subsection (5). 797 2. The dispensing of controlled substances in the health 798 care system of the Department of Corrections. 799 3. The dispensing of a controlled substance listed in 800 Schedule II or Schedule III in connection with the performance 801 of a surgical procedure. The amount dispensed pursuant to the 802 subparagraph may not exceed a 14-day supply. This exception does 803 not allow for the dispensing of a controlled substance listed in 804 Schedule II or Schedule III more than 14 days after the 805 performance of the surgical procedure. For purposes of this 806 subparagraph, the term "surgical procedure" means any procedure 807 in any setting which involves, or reasonably should involve: 808 a. Perioperative medication and sedation that allows the 809 patient to tolerate unpleasant procedures while maintaining 810 adequate cardiorespiratory function and the ability to respond

811 purposefully to verbal or tactile stimulation and makes intra-812 and postoperative monitoring necessary; or

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23-00631-16 2016918 813 b. The use of general anesthesia or major conduction 814 anesthesia and preoperative sedation. 815 4. The dispensing of a controlled substance listed in 816 Schedule II or Schedule III pursuant to an approved clinical 817 trial. For purposes of this subparagraph, the term "approved 818 clinical trial" means a clinical research study or clinical 819 investigation that, in whole or in part, is state or federally 820 funded or is conducted under an investigational new drug 821 application that is reviewed by the United States Food and Drug 822 Administration. 82.3 5. The dispensing of methadone in a facility licensed under 824 s. 397.427 where medication-assisted treatment for opiate 825 addiction is provided. 826 6. The dispensing of a controlled substance listed in 827 Schedule II or Schedule III to a patient of a facility licensed 828 under part IV of chapter 400. 829 (3) The department shall inspect any facility where a 830 practitioner dispenses medicinal drugs pursuant to subsection 831 (2) in the same manner and with the same frequency as it 832 inspects pharmacies for the purpose of determining whether the 833 practitioner is in compliance with all statutes and rules 834 applicable to her or his dispensing practice. 835 Section 15. Subsection (3) of section 466.0135, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 836 837 466.0135 Continuing education; dentists.-838 (3) A In applying for license renewal, the dentist shall 839 complete submit a sworn affidavit, on a form acceptable to the 840 department, attesting that she or he has completed the required continuing education as provided required in this section in 841

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23-00631-16 2016918 842 accordance with the quidelines and provisions of this section 843 and listing the date, location, sponsor, subject matter, and 844 hours of completed continuing education courses. An The 845 applicant shall retain in her or his records any such receipts, 846 vouchers, or certificates as may be necessary to document 847 completion of such the continuing education courses listed in 848 accordance with this subsection. With cause, the board may 849 request such documentation by the applicant, and the board may 850 request such documentation from applicants selected at random 851 without cause. 852 Section 16. Section 466.014, Florida Statutes, is amended 853 to read: 854 466.014 Continuing education; dental hygienists.-In

855 addition to the other requirements for relicensure for dental 856 hygienists set out in this chapter act, the board shall require 857 each licensed dental hygienist to complete at least not less 858 than 24 hours but not or more than 36 hours of continuing 859 professional education in dental subjects, biennially, in 860 programs prescribed or approved by the board or in equivalent 861 programs of continuing education. Programs of continuing 862 education approved by the board are shall be programs of 863 learning which, in the opinion of the board, contribute directly 864 to the dental education of the dental hygienist. The board shall 865 adopt rules and quidelines to administer and enforce the 866 provisions of this section. In applying for license renewal, the 867 dental hygienist shall submit a sworn affidavit, on a form 868 acceptable to the department, attesting that she or he has 869 completed the continuing education required in this section in 870 accordance with the guidelines and provisions of this section

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23-00631-16 2016918 871 and listing the date, location, sponsor, subject matter, and 872 hours of completed continuing education courses. An The 873 applicant shall retain in her or his records any such receipts, 874 vouchers, or certificates as may be necessary to document 875 completion of such the continuing education courses listed in 876 accordance with this section. With cause, the board may request 877 such documentation by the applicant, and the board may request 878 such documentation from applicants selected at random without 879 cause. Compliance with the continuing education requirements is 880 shall be mandatory for issuance of the renewal certificate. The 881 board may shall have the authority to excuse licensees, as a 882 group or as individuals, from all or part of the continuing 883 educational requirements if, or any part thereof, in the event 884 an unusual circumstance, emergency, or hardship has prevented 885 compliance with this section. 886 Section 17. Subsection (5) of section 466.032, Florida 887 Statutes, is amended to read: 888 466.032 Registration.-

889 (5) A The dental laboratory owner or at least one employee 890 of any dental laboratory renewing registration on or after July 891 1, 2010, shall complete 18 hours of continuing education 892 biennially. Programs of continuing education must shall be 893 programs of learning that contribute directly to the education of the dental technician and may include, but are not limited 894 895 to, attendance at lectures, study clubs, college courses, or scientific sessions of conventions and research. 896

(a) The aim of continuing education for dental technicians
is to improve dental health care delivery to the public as such
is impacted through the design, manufacture, and use of

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23-00631-16 2016918 900 artificial human oral prosthetics and related restorative 901 appliances. 902 (b) Continuing education courses shall address one or more 903 of the following areas of professional development, including, 904 but not limited to: 905 1. Laboratory and technological subjects, including, but 906 not limited to, laboratory techniques and procedures, materials, 907 and equipment; and 908 2. Subjects pertinent to oral health, infection control, 909 and safety. 910 (c) Programs that meet meeting the general requirements of 911 continuing education may be developed and offered to dental 912 technicians by the Florida Dental Laboratory Association and the 913 Florida Dental Association. Other organizations, schools, or 914 agencies may also be approved to develop and offer continuing 915 education in accordance with specific criteria established by 916 the department. 917 (d) Any dental laboratory renewing a registration on or 918 after July 1, 2010, shall submit a sworn affidavit, on a form 919 approved by the department, attesting that either the dental 920 laboratory owner or one dental technician employed by the 921 registered dental laboratory has completed the continuing 922 education required in this subsection in accordance with the 923 guidelines and provisions of this subsection and listing the 924 date, location, sponsor, subject matter, and hours of completed 925 continuing education courses. The dental laboratory shall retain 926 in its records such receipts, vouchers, or certificates as may 927 be necessary to document completion of the continuing education courses listed in accordance with this subsection. With cause, 928

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929	the department may request that the documentation be provided by
930	the applicant. The department may also request the documentation
931	from applicants selected at random without cause.
932	(d) (e) 1. This subsection does not apply to a dental
933	laboratory that is physically located within a dental practice
934	operated by a dentist licensed under this chapter.
935	2. A dental laboratory in another state or country which
936	provides service to a dentist licensed under this chapter is not
937	required to register with the state and may continue to provide
938	services to such dentist with a proper prescription. <u>However,</u> a
939	dental laboratory in another state or country , however, may
940	voluntarily comply with this subsection.
941	Section 18. Section 468.1201, Florida Statutes, is
942	repealed.
943	Section 19. Paragraph (a) of subsection (3), subsections
944	(4) and (5), paragraphs (a) and (e) of subsection (6), and
945	subsection (7) of section 483.901, Florida Statutes, are
946	amended, and paragraph (k) is added to subsection (6) of that
947	section, to read:
948	483.901 Medical physicists; definitions; licensure
949	(3) DEFINITIONS.—As used in this section, the term:
950	(a) "Council" means the Advisory Council of Medical
951	Physicists in the Department of Health.
952	(4) COUNCIL. The Advisory Council of Medical Physicists is
953	created in the Department of Health to advise the department in
954	regulating the practice of medical physics in this state.
955	(a) The council shall be composed of nine members appointed
956	by the State Surgeon General as follows:
957	1. A licensed medical physicist who specializes in

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958	diagnostic radiological physics.
959	2. A licensed medical physicist who specializes in
960	therapeutic radiological physics.
961	3. A licensed medical physicist who specializes in medical
962	nuclear radiological physics.
963	4. A physician who is board certified by the American Board
964	of Radiology or its equivalent.
965	5. A physician who is board certified by the American
966	Osteopathic Board of Radiology or its equivalent.
967	6. A chiropractic physician who practices radiology.
968	7. Three consumer members who are not, and have never been,
969	licensed as a medical physicist or licensed in any closely
970	related profession.
971	(b) The State Surgeon General shall appoint the medical
972	physicist members of the council from a list of candidates who
973	are licensed to practice medical physics.
974	(c) The State Surgeon General shall appoint the physician
975	members of the council from a list of candidates who are
976	licensed to practice medicine in this state and are board
977	certified in diagnostic radiology, therapeutic radiology, or
978	radiation oncology.
979	(d) The State Surgeon General shall appoint the public
980	members of the council.
981	(e) As the term of each member expires, the State Surgeon
982	General shall appoint the successor for a term of 4 years. A
983	member shall serve until the member's successor is appointed,
984	unless physically unable to do so.
985	(f) An individual is ineligible to serve more than two full
986	consecutive 4-year terms.

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987	(g) If a vacancy on the council occurs, the State Surgeon
988	General shall appoint a member to serve for a 4-year term.
989	(h) A council member must be a United States citizen and
990	must have been a resident of this state for 2 consecutive years
991	immediately before being appointed.
992	1. A member of the council who is a medical physicist must
993	have practiced for at least 6 years before being appointed or be
994	board certified for the specialty in which the member practices.
995	2. A member of the council who is a physician must be
996	licensed to practice medicine in this state and must have
997	practiced diagnostic radiology or radiation oncology in this
998	state for at least 2 years before being appointed.
999	3. The public members of the council must not have a
1000	financial interest in any endeavor related to the practice of
1001	medical physics.
1002	(i) A council member may be removed from the council if the
1003	member:
1004	1. Did not have the required qualifications at the time of
1005	appointment;
1006	2. Does not maintain the required qualifications while
1007	serving on the council; or
1008	3. Fails to attend the regularly scheduled council meetings
1009	in a calendar year as required by s. 456.011.
1010	(j) Members of the council may not receive compensation for
1011	their services; however, they are entitled to reimbursement,
1012	from funds deposited in the Medical Quality Assurance Trust
1013	Fund, for necessary travel expenses as specified in s. 112.061
1014	for each day they engage in the business of the council.
1015	(k) At the first regularly scheduled meeting of each
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1016	calendar year, the council shall elect a presiding officer and
1017	an assistant presiding officer from among its members. The
1018	council shall meet at least once each year and at other times in
1019	accordance with department requirements.
1020	(1) The department shall provide administrative support to
1021	the council for all licensing activities.
1022	(m) The council may conduct its meetings electronically.
1023	(5) POWERS OF COUNCIL. The council shall:
1024	(a) Recommend rules to administer this section.
1025	(b) Recommend practice standards for the practice of
1026	medical physics which are consistent with the Guidelines for
1027	Ethical Practice for Medical Physicists prepared by the American
1028	Association of Physicists in Medicine and disciplinary
1029	guidelines adopted under s. 456.079.
1030	(c) Develop and recommend continuing education requirements
1031	for licensed medical physicists.
1032	(4) <mark>(6)</mark> LICENSE REQUIRED.—An individual may not engage in
1033	the practice of medical physics, including the specialties of
1034	diagnostic radiological physics, therapeutic radiological
1035	physics, medical nuclear radiological physics, or medical health
1036	physics, without a license issued by the department for the
1037	appropriate specialty.
1038	(a) The department shall adopt rules to administer this
1039	section which specify license application and renewal fees,
1040	continuing education requirements, and standards for practicing
1041	medical physics. The council shall recommend to the department
1042	continuing education requirements that shall be a condition of
1043	license renewal. The department shall require a minimum of 24
1044	hours per biennium of continuing education offered by an

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1045	organization recommended by the council and approved by the
1046	department. The department, upon recommendation of the council,
1047	may adopt rules to specify continuing education requirements for
1048	persons who hold a license in more than one specialty.
1049	(e) <u>Upon</u> On receipt of an application and fee as specified
1050	in this section, the department may issue a license to practice
1051	medical physics in this state on or after October 1, 1997, to a
1052	person who is board certified in the medical physics specialty
1053	in which the applicant applies to practice by the American Board
1054	of Radiology for diagnostic radiological physics, therapeutic
1055	radiological physics, or medical nuclear radiological physics;
1056	by the American Board of Medical Physics for diagnostic
1057	radiological physics, therapeutic radiological physics, or
1058	medical nuclear radiological physics; or by the American Board
1059	of Health Physics or an equivalent certifying body approved by
1060	the department.
1061	(k) Upon proof of a completed residency program and receipt
1062	of the fee set forth by rule, the department may issue a
1063	temporary license for no more than 1 year. The department may
1064	adopt by rule requirements for temporary licensure and renewal
1065	of temporary licenses.
1066	(5)(7) FEES.—The fee for the initial license application
1067	shall be \$500 and is nonrefundable. The fee for license renewal
1068	may not be more than \$500. These fees may cover only the costs
1069	incurred by the department and the council to administer this
1070	section. By July 1 each year, the department shall determine
1071	advise the council if the fees are insufficient to administer
1072	this section.

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Section 20. Subsection (2) of section 484.047, Florida

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1074	Statutes, is amended to read:
1075	484.047 Renewal of license
1076	(2) In addition to the other requirements for renewal
1077	provided in this section and by the board, the department shall
1078	renew a license upon receipt of the renewal application $\operatorname{and}_{{m au}}$ the
1079	renewal fee, and a written statement affirming compliance with
1080	all other requirements set forth in this section and by the
1081	board . A licensee must maintain, if applicable, a certificate
1082	from a manufacturer or independent testing agent certifying that
1083	the testing room meets the requirements of s. 484.0501(6) and,
1084	if applicable, a certificate from a manufacturer or independent
1085	testing agent stating that all audiometric testing equipment
1086	used by the licensee has been calibrated acoustically to
1087	American National Standards Institute standards on an annual
1088	basis acoustically to American National Standards Institute
1089	standard specifications. Possession of any applicable
1090	certificate is the certificates shall be a prerequisite to
1091	renewal.
1092	Section 21. Subsections (1) and (4) of section 486.109,
1093	Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
1094	486.109 Continuing education
1095	(1) The board shall require licensees to periodically
1096	demonstrate their professional competence as a condition of
1097	renewal of a license by completing 24 hours of continuing
1098	education biennially.
1099	(4) Each licensee shall <u>maintain</u> be responsible for
1100	maintaining sufficient records in a format as determined by rule
1101	which shall be subject to a random audit by the department to
1102	demonstrate assure compliance with this section.
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1103	Section 22. Paragraph (e) of subsection (1) of section
1104	458.331, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
1105	458.331 Grounds for disciplinary action; action by the
1106	board and department
1107	(1) The following acts constitute grounds for denial of a
1108	license or disciplinary action, as specified in s. 456.072(2):
1109	(e) Failing to report to the department any person who the
1110	licensee knows is in violation of this chapter or of the rules
1111	of the department or the board. A treatment provider approved
1112	pursuant to s. 456.076 shall provide the department or
1113	consultant with information in accordance with the requirements
1114	of <u>s. 456.076(5), (6), (7), (8), and (10)</u> s. 456.076(4), (5),
1115	(6), (7), and (9).
1116	Section 23. Paragraph (e) of subsection (1) of section
1117	459.015, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
1118	459.015 Grounds for disciplinary action; action by the
1119	board and department
1120	(1) The following acts constitute grounds for denial of a
1121	license or disciplinary action, as specified in s. 456.072(2):
1122	(e) Failing to report to the department or the department's
1123	impaired professional consultant any person who the licensee or
1124	certificateholder knows is in violation of this chapter or of
1125	the rules of the department or the board. A treatment provider,
1126	approved pursuant to s. 456.076, shall provide the department or
1127	consultant with information in accordance with the requirements
1128	of <u>s. 456.076(5), (6), (7), (8), and (10)</u> s. 456.076(4), (5),
1129	(6), (7) , and (9) .
1130	Section 24. Paragraph (a) of subsection (15) of section
1131	499.028, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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1132
           499.028 Drug samples or complimentary drugs; starter packs;
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      permits to distribute.-
            (15) A person may not possess a prescription drug sample
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      unless:
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            (a) The drug sample was prescribed to her or him as
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      evidenced by the label required in s. 465.0276(4) = -
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      465.0276(5).
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           Section 25. Paragraph (g) of subsection (3) of section
      921.0022, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
1140
            921.0022 Criminal Punishment Code; offense severity ranking
1141
1142
      chart.-
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            (3) OFFENSE SEVERITY RANKING CHART
1144
            (q) LEVEL 7
1145
       Florida
                                   Felony
       Statute
                                                     Description
                                   Degree
1146
       316.027(2)(c)
                                     1st
                                             Accident involving death,
                                              failure to stop; leaving
                                              scene.
1147
       316.193(3)(c)2.
                                     3rd
                                             DUI resulting in serious
                                             bodily injury.
1148
       316.1935(3)(b)
                                     1st
                                             Causing serious bodily
                                              injury or death to another
                                             person; driving at high
                                              speed or with wanton
                                              disregard for safety while
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23-00631-16 2016918 fleeing or attempting to elude law enforcement officer who is in a patrol vehicle with siren and lights activated. 1149 327.35(3)(c)2. 3rd Vessel BUI resulting in serious bodily injury. 1150 402.319(2) 2nd Misrepresentation and negligence or intentional act resulting in great bodily harm, permanent disfiguration, permanent disability, or death. 1151 409.920 Medicaid provider fraud; 3rd \$10,000 or less. (2) (b) 1.a. 1152 409.920 2nd Medicaid provider fraud; (2) (b) 1.b. more than \$10,000, but less than \$50,000. 1153 456.065(2) 3rd Practicing a health care profession without a license. 1154 456.065(2) 2nd Practicing a health care profession without a

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			license which results in
			serious bodily injury.
1155			
	458.327(1)	3rd	Practicing medicine
	100.027(1)	510	without a license.
			without a license.
1156			
	459.013(1)	3rd	Practicing osteopathic
			medicine without a
			license.
1157			
	460.411(1)	3rd	Practicing chiropractic
			medicine without a
			license.
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	461.012(1)	3rd	Practicing podiatric
			medicine without a
			license.
1159			
	462.17	3rd	Practicing naturopathy
			without a license.
1160			
	463.015(1)	3rd	Practicing optometry
			without a license.
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TTOT		2 ra d	Duestising sugging without
	464.016(1)	3rd	Practicing nursing without
			a license.
1162			
	465.015(2)	3rd	Practicing pharmacy
			without a license.

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1163	23-00631-16		2016918
1164	466.026(1)	3rd	Practicing dentistry or dental hygiene without a license.
1165	467.201	3rd	Practicing midwifery without a license.
	468.366	3rd	Delivering respiratory care services without a license.
1166	483.828(1)	3rd	Practicing as clinical laboratory personnel without a license.
1167	<u>483.901(7)</u> 483.901(9)	3rd	Practicing medical physics without a license.
1100	484.013(1)(c)	3rd	Preparing or dispensing optical devices without a prescription.
1169	484.053	3rd	Dispensing hearing aids without a license.
1170	494.0018(2)	1st	Conviction of any violation of chapter 494 in which the total money

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23-00631-16 2016918 and property unlawfully obtained exceeded \$50,000 and there were five or more victims. 560.123(8)(b)1. 3rd Failure to report currency or payment instruments exceeding \$300 but less than \$20,000 by a money services business. 560.125(5)(a) 3rd Money services business by unauthorized person, currency or payment instruments exceeding \$300 but less than \$20,000. 655.50(10)(b)1. 3rd Failure to report financial transactions exceeding \$300 but less than \$20,000 by financial institution. 775.21(10)(a) 3rd Sexual predator; failure to register; failure to

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renew driver license or

registration violations.

identification card; other

23-00631-16 2016918 775.21(10)(b) 3rd Sexual predator working where children regularly congregate. 1176 775.21(10)(g) 3rd Failure to report or providing false information about a sexual predator; harbor or conceal a sexual predator. 1177 782.051(3) 2nd Attempted felony murder of a person by a person other than the perpetrator or the perpetrator of an attempted felony. 1178 782.07(1) 2nd Killing of a human being by the act, procurement, or culpable negligence of another (manslaughter). 1179 782.071 2nd Killing of a human being or unborn child by the operation of a motor vehicle in a reckless manner (vehicular homicide). 1180 782.072 2nd Killing of a human being

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			by the operation of a
			vessel in a reckless
			manner (vessel homicide).
1181			
	784.045(1)(a)1.	2nd	Aggravated battery;
			intentionally causing
			great bodily harm or
			disfigurement.
1182			
	784.045(1)(a)2.	2nd	Aggravated battery; using
			deadly weapon.
1183			
	784.045(1)(b)	2nd	Aggravated battery;
			perpetrator aware victim
			pregnant.
1184			
	784.048(4)	3rd	Aggravated stalking;
			violation of injunction or
			court order.
1185			
	784.048(7)	3rd	Aggravated stalking;
			violation of court order.
1186			
	784.07(2)(d)	1st	Aggravated battery on law
			enforcement officer.
1187			
	784.074(1)(a)	1st	Aggravated battery on
			sexually violent predators
			facility staff.
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1188	23-00631-16		2016918
1189	784.08(2)(a)	1st	Aggravated battery on a person 65 years of age or older.
1190	784.081(1)	1st	Aggravated battery on specified official or employee.
1191	784.082(1)	1st	Aggravated battery by detained person on visitor or other detainee.
1192	784.083(1)	1st	Aggravated battery on code inspector.
1193	787.06(3)(a)2.	1st	Human trafficking using coercion for labor and services of an adult.
1193	787.06(3)(e)2.	1st	Human trafficking using coercion for labor and services by the transfer or transport of an adult from outside Florida to within the state.
	790.07(4)	1st	Specified weapons violation subsequent to

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			previous conviction of s.
			790.07(1) or (2).
1195			
	790.16(1)	1st	Discharge of a machine gun
			under specified
			circumstances.
1196			
	790.165(2)	2nd	Manufacture, sell,
			possess, or deliver hoax
			bomb.
1197			
	790.165(3)	2nd	Possessing, displaying, or
			threatening to use any
			hoax bomb while committing
			or attempting to commit a
			felony.
1198			-
	790.166(3)	2nd	Possessing, selling,
			using, or attempting to
			use a hoax weapon of mass
			destruction.
1199			
	790.166(4)	2nd	Possessing, displaying, or
			threatening to use a hoax
			weapon of mass destruction
			while committing or
			attempting to commit a
			felony.
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1201	790.23	1st,PBL	Possession of a firearm by a person who qualifies for the penalty enhancements provided for in s. 874.04.
1202	794.08(4)	3rd	Female genital mutilation; consent by a parent, guardian, or a person in custodial authority to a victim younger than 18 years of age.
1202	796.05(1)	1st	Live on earnings of a prostitute; 2nd offense.
1203	796.05(1)	1st	Live on earnings of a prostitute; 3rd and subsequent offense.
	800.04(5)(c)1.	2nd	Lewd or lascivious molestation; victim younger than 12 years of age; offender younger than 18 years of age.
1205	800.04(5)(c)2.	2nd	Lewd or lascivious molestation; victim 12 years of age or older but younger than 16 years of

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			age; offender 18 years of
			age or older.
1206			
	800.04(5)(e)	1st	Lewd or lascivious
			molestation; victim 12
			years of age or older but
			younger than 16 years;
			offender 18 years or
			older; prior conviction
			for specified sex offense.
1207			
	806.01(2)	2nd	Maliciously damage
			structure by fire or
1208			explosive.
1200	810.02(3)(a)	2nd	Burglary of occupied
			dwelling; unarmed; no
			assault or battery.
1209			
	810.02(3)(b)	2nd	Burglary of unoccupied
			dwelling; unarmed; no
			assault or battery.
1210			
	810.02(3)(d)	2nd	Burglary of occupied
			conveyance; unarmed; no
			assault or battery.
1211			
	810.02(3)(e)	2nd	Burglary of authorized
			emergency vehicle.

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23-00631-16 2016918 1212 812.014(2)(a)1. 1st Property stolen, valued at \$100,000 or more or a semitrailer deployed by a law enforcement officer; property stolen while causing other property damage; 1st degree grand theft. 1213 812.014(2)(b)2. 2nd Property stolen, cargo valued at less than \$50,000, grand theft in 2nd degree. 1214 812.014(2)(b)3. 2nd Property stolen, emergency medical equipment; 2nd degree grand theft. 1215 812.014(2)(b)4. 2nd Property stolen, law enforcement equipment from authorized emergency vehicle. 1216 Theft from person 65 years 812.0145(2)(a) 1st of age or older; \$50,000 or more. 1217 812.019(2) 1st Stolen property;

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	23-00631-16		2016918
			initiates, organizes,
			plans, etc., the theft of
			property and traffics in
			stolen property.
1218			
	812.131(2)(a)	2nd	Robbery by sudden
			snatching.
1219			
	812.133(2)(b)	1st	Carjacking; no firearm,
			deadly weapon, or other
			weapon.
1220			
	817.034(4)(a)1.	1st	Communications fraud,
			value greater than
			\$50,000.
1221			
	817.234(8)(a)	2nd	Solicitation of motor
			vehicle accident victims
1000			with intent to defraud.
1222	017 004 (0)	0.1	
	817.234(9)	2nd	Organizing, planning, or
			participating in an
			intentional motor vehicle
1223			collision.
1223	817.234(11)(c)	lst	Insurance fraud; property
	017.234(11)(C)	ISC	value \$100,000 or more.
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1227	817.2341	1st	Making false entries of
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23-00631-16 2016918 (2) (b) & (3) (b) material fact or false statements regarding property values relating to the solvency of an insuring entity which are a significant cause of the insolvency of that entity. 1225 817.535(2)(a) 3rd Filing false lien or other unauthorized document. 1226 825.102(3)(b) 2nd Neglecting an elderly person or disabled adult causing great bodily harm, disability, or disfigurement. 1227 825.103(3)(b) 2nd Exploiting an elderly person or disabled adult and property is valued at \$10,000 or more, but less than \$50,000. 1228 Neglect of a child causing 827.03(2)(b) 2nd great bodily harm, disability, or disfigurement. 1229 827.04(3) 3rd Impregnation of a child

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1	23-00631-16		2016918
			under 16 years of age by
			person 21 years of age or older.
1230			
	837.05(2)	3rd	Giving false information about alleged capital
			felony to a law
1001			enforcement officer.
1231	838.015	2nd	Bribery.
1232			
	838.016	2nd	Unlawful compensation or reward for official
			behavior.
1233	020 021 (2) (2)	2nd	Unlowful have to a public
	838.021(3)(a)	2110	Unlawful harm to a public servant.
1234			
1235	838.22	2nd	Bid tampering.
	843.0855(2)	3rd	Impersonation of a public
1236			officer or employee.
1230	843.0855(3)	3rd	Unlawful simulation of
			legal process.
1237	843.0855(4)	3rd	Intimidation of a public
			officer or employee.
1238			

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1239	847.0135(3)	3rd	Solicitation of a child, via a computer service, to commit an unlawful sex act.
1240	847.0135(4)	2nd	Traveling to meet a minor to commit an unlawful sex act.
1240	872.06	2nd	Abuse of a dead human body.
1242	874.05(2)(b)	lst	Encouraging or recruiting person under 13 to join a criminal gang; second or subsequent offense.
1243	874.10	1st,PBL	Knowingly initiates, organizes, plans, finances, directs, manages, or supervises criminal gang-related activity.
1743	893.13(1)(c)1.	lst	Sell, manufacture, or deliver cocaine (or other drug prohibited under s. 893.03(1)(a), (1)(b), (1)(d), (2)(a), (2)(b), or

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23-00631-16 2016918 (2)(c)4.) within 1,000 feet of a child care facility, school, or state, county, or municipal park or publicly owned recreational facility or community center. 1244 Sell, manufacture, or 893.13(1)(e)1. 1st deliver cocaine or other drug prohibited under s. 893.03(1)(a), (1)(b), (1)(d), (2)(a), (2)(b), or (2)(c)4., within 1,000 feet of property used for religious services or a specified business site. 1245 893.13(4)(a) 1st Deliver to minor cocaine (or other s. 893.03(1)(a), (1)(b),(1)(d),(2)(a), (2)(b), or (2)(c)4. drugs). 1246 893.135(1)(a)1. 1st Trafficking in cannabis, more than 25 lbs., less than 2,000 lbs.

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	893.135	lst	Trafficking in cocaine,
	(1)(b)1.a.		more than 28 grams, less
			than 200 grams.
1248			
	893.135	1st	Trafficking in illegal
	(1)(c)1.a.		drugs, more than 4 grams,
			less than 14 grams.
1249			
	893.135	1st	Trafficking in
	(1)(c)2.a.		hydrocodone, 14 grams or
			more, less than 28 grams.
1250			
	893.135	1st	Trafficking in
	(1)(c)2.b.		hydrocodone, 28 grams or
			more, less than 50 grams.
1251			
	893.135	1st	Trafficking in oxycodone,
	(1)(c)3.a.		7 grams or more, less than
			14 grams.
1252			
	893.135	1st	Trafficking in oxycodone,
	(1)(c)3.b.		14 grams or more, less
			than 25 grams.
1253			
	893.135(1)(d)1.	1st	Trafficking in
			phencyclidine, more than
			28 grams, less than 200
			grams.
1254			

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	893.135(1)(e)1.	1st	Trafficking in
			methaqualone, more than
			200 grams, less than 5
			kilograms.
1255			
	893.135(1)(f)1.	1st	Trafficking in
			amphetamine, more than 14
			grams, less than 28 grams.
1256			
	893.135	lst	Trafficking in
	(1)(g)1.a.		flunitrazepam, 4 grams or
			more, less than 14 grams.
1257			
	893.135	1st	Trafficking in gamma-
	(1)(h)1.a.		hydroxybutyric acid (GHB),
			1 kilogram or more, less
1050			than 5 kilograms.
1258			
	893.135	1st	Trafficking in 1,4-
	(1)(j)1.a.		Butanediol, 1 kilogram or
			more, less than 5
1050			kilograms.
1259	002 125	1.0+	maafficking in
	893.135	1st	Trafficking in
	(1)(k)2.a.		Phenethylamines, 10 grams or more, less than 200
1260			grams.
TZOO	893.1351(2)	2nd	Possession of place for
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			trafficking in or
			manufacturing of
			controlled substance.
1261			
	896.101(5)(a)	3rd	Money laundering,
			financial transactions
			exceeding \$300 but less
			than \$20,000.
1262			
	896.104(4)(a)1.	3rd	Structuring transactions
			to evade reporting or
			registration requirements,
			financial transactions
			exceeding \$300 but less
			than \$20,000.
1263			
	943.0435(4)(c)	2nd	Sexual offender vacating
			permanent residence;
			failure to comply with
			reporting requirements.
1264			
	943.0435(8)	2nd	Sexual offender; remains
			in state after indicating
			intent to leave; failure
			to comply with reporting
			requirements.
1265			
	943.0435(9)(a)	3rd	Sexual offender; failure
			to comply with reporting

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1266			requirements.
	943.0435(13)	3rd	Failure to report or
			providing false
			information about a sexual
			offender; harbor or
1267			conceal a sexual offender.
	943.0435(14)	3rd	Sexual offender; failure
			to report and reregister;
			failure to respond to
			address verification;
			providing false
1268			registration information.
	944.607(9)	3rd	Sexual offender; failure
			to comply with reporting
1269			requirements.
	944.607(10)(a)	3rd	Sexual offender; failure
			to submit to the taking of
1070			a digitized photograph.
1270	944.607(12)	3rd	Failure to report or
			providing false
			information about a sexual
			offender; harbor or
			conceal a sexual offender.
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23-00631-16 2016918 Sexual offender; failure 944.607(13) 3rd to report and reregister; failure to respond to address verification; providing false registration information. 1272 985.4815(10) 3rd Sexual offender; failure to submit to the taking of a digitized photograph. 1273 985.4815(12) 3rd Failure to report or providing false information about a sexual offender; harbor or conceal a sexual offender. 1274 985.4815(13) 3rd Sexual offender; failure to report and reregister; failure to respond to address verification; providing false registration information. 1275 1276 Section 26. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016.