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1 A bill to be entitled 2 An act relating to unidentified persons in hospitals; 3 creating s. 395.1013, F.S.; requiring hospitals to 4 maintain a directory of unidentified persons 5 containing specified information; requiring hospitals 6 to make the directory available to the public upon 7 request; requiring hospitals, before including an 8 unidentified person in the directory, to inform the 9 unidentified person of the directory and provide him or her with an opportunity to restrict or prohibit 10 11 inclusion in the directory or disclosure of his or her personal identifying information; providing an 12 13 exception for a specified timeframe; providing an effective date. 14 15 16 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 17 18 Section 1. Section 395.1013, Florida Statutes, is created 19 to read: 20 395.1013 Unidentified persons.-21 (1) Each hospital shall maintain a directory of all 22 unidentified persons being treated at the hospital which must be 23 made available to the public upon request. The directory must

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include all of the following details for each unidentified

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person:

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(a) The location in the hospital where the unidentified person is admitted or being treated.

(b) The type of injury suffered by the unidentified person.

- (c) A description of the unidentified person's condition, using general terms that do not disclose specific medical information about the person.
- (d) A description of distinguishing physical characteristics of the unidentified person, including height, weight, gender, race, hair and eye color, and any facial hair, scars, and tattoos.
- (2) Before entering any information into the directory, a hospital shall first inform the unidentified person that his or her personal identifying information will be included in the directory and may be disclosed to the public upon request. The hospital shall provide the unidentified person with the opportunity to restrict or prohibit the inclusion in the directory of any of the information specified in subsection (1) or the disclosure of such information. If an unidentified person cannot reasonably be informed of inclusion in the directory due to the person's incapacitation or emergency treatment protocols, the hospital must include the unidentified person in the directory until the unidentified person is no longer incapacitated or the emergency has subsided, at which point the hospital must inform the unidentified person of his or her

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51	inclusion in the directory and the option to restrict or
52	prohibit continued inclusion or the disclosure of his or her
53	personal identifying information.
54	Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2022.

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