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A bill to be entitled An act relating to quardianship data transparency; creating s. 744.2112, F.S.; requiring the Florida Association of Court Clerks and Comptrollers, Inc., and the clerks of court to establish a statewide database of quardianship data; requiring the database to be interoperable and easily accessible for each circuit court; requiring the database to contain certain information; requiring the Office of Public and Professional Guardians to provide certain data for use in the database; requiring the database to be searchable in specified ways; requiring the database to be able to generate certain statistical data; requiring the Office of Public and Professional Guardians to publish online profiles of registered professional guardians; requiring the online profiles to contain certain information; providing an effective date. Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: Section 744.2112, Florida Statutes, is created Section 1. to read: 744.2112 Guardianship data collection and transparency.-(1) The Florida Association of Court Clerks and

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Comptrollers, Inc., and the clerks of court shall establish a statewide database of guardianship information to facilitate improving court oversight of guardianship cases. The database must be interoperable with the data systems of each circuit court and have the ability for each circuit court to easily access the data for regular use in judicial proceedings. The database must include, at a minimum, all of the following:

- (a) The registration and disciplinary data of each professional guardian provided by the Office of Public and Professional Guardians.
- (b) Information regarding the status of each guardian's compliance with the statutory qualifications for guardianship.
- (c) The status of statutorily required reports and submissions.
- (2) The database must be searchable by, at a minimum, the name of the petitioner, ward, guardian, legal counsel, and other parties to a case; the demographic information of the ward; the guardian's location; and the name of the judge and circuit in which the case is brought. The database must have the ability to generate statewide and circuit-level statistical data to provide assistance to the courts and the Department of Elderly Affairs.

  The Office of Public and Professional Guardians is directed to share professional guardian registration and disciplinary data for the purposes of this section.
  - (3) The Office of Public and Professional Guardians shall

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publish a profile of each registered professional guardian on its website. The profiles must be accessible and searchable by the public and must include, at a minimum, the information submitted to the Office of Public and Professional Guardians under s. 744.2002, whether any complaints against the professional guardian have been substantiated, and any disciplinary actions taken by the Department of Elderly Affairs. Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2022.

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