By Senator Ingoglia

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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to state recognition of Indian tribes and bands; creating s. 285.195, F.S.; providing for state recognition of specified Indian tribes and bands; providing construction; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Section 285.195, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

285.195 State recognition of Indian tribes and bands.—

(1) This state recognizes the following Indian tribes and bands:

(a) The Santa Rosa Band of the Lower Muscogee.

(b) The Muscogee Nation of Florida.

(c) Lower Chattahoochee Band of Yuchi Indians.

(2) State recognition of an Indian tribe or band under this section may not be construed to create any basis or authority not otherwise provided by law for an Indian tribe or band to establish or promote any form of otherwise prohibited gaming activity.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2024.

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