| 1 | A bill to be entitled |
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| 2 | An act relating to consumer protection; amending s. |
| 3 | 212.134, F.S.; defining terms; revising requirements |
| 4 | for payment settlement entities, or their electronic |
| 5 | payment facilitators or contracted third parties, in |
| 6 | submitting information returns to the Department of |
| 7 | Revenue; specifying requirements for third party |
| 8 | settlement organizations that conduct certain |
| 9 | transactions; amending s. 280.051, F.S.; providing |
| 10 | requirements for the senders of payment; providing |
| 11 | recordkeeping requirements; providing |
| 12 | nonapplicability; providing requirements for the |
| 13 | senders of payment; providing recordkeeping |
| 14 | requirements; providing nonapplicability; providing |
| 15 | additional grounds for qualified public depositories |
| 16 | to be suspended and disqualified; amending s. 280.054, |
| 17 | F.S.; providing additional acts deemed knowing and |
| 18 | willful violations by qualified public depositories |
| 19 | which are subject to certain penalties; creating s. |
| 20 | 287.139, F.S.; providing definitions; prohibiting |
| 21 | agencies of the executive branch and local |
| 22 | governmental entities from entering into or renewing |
| 23 | contracts or agreements with entities for specified |
| 24 | purposes; prohibiting agencies of the executive branch |
| 25 | and local governmental entities from using or allowing |
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26 contractors to use certain lists or ratings; providing 27 construction; amending s. 489.147, F.S.; defining a 28 term; authorizing a residential property owner to 29 cancel contracts to replace or repair a roof without 30 penalty or obligation within a specified timeframe 31 under certain circumstances; requiring contractors to 32 include a notice in the contracts with residential 33 property owners under certain circumstances; providing 34 requirements for notices of contract cancellation; amending s. 559.9611, F.S.; revising the definition of 35 36 the term "depository institution"; amending s. 624.424, F.S.; providing requirements for certain 37 38 insurers' accountants; amending s. 626.8796, F.S.; 39 revising the content of certain public adjuster contracts; amending s. 627.43141, F.S.; providing 40 41 requirements for certain notice of change in insurance 42 renewal policy terms; amending s. 627.6426, F.S.; 43 revising the disclosure requirements of contracts for 44 short-term health insurance; amending s. 627.70132, F.S.; providing requirements for notices of claims for 45 46 loss assessment coverage; providing dates of loss; 47 creating s. 655.49, F.S.; authorizing customers and 48 members of financial institutions to file certain 49 complaints with the Office of Financial Regulation; providing nonapplicability; providing duties of the 50

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| 51 | office upon receipt of such compleinter providing |
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| | office upon receipt of such complaints; providing |
| 52 | reporting requirements; providing violations; |
| 53 | providing that certain actions or certain failure of |
| 54 | financial institutions to cooperate in specified |
| 55 | investigations constitute violations of the Florida |
| 56 | Deceptive and Unfair Trade Practices Act; providing |
| 57 | that violations are enforced only by the enforcing |
| 58 | authority; providing attorney fees and costs; |
| 59 | requiring the office to provide reports to certain |
| 60 | entities; providing causes of action; requiring the |
| 61 | office to make certain information available on its |
| 62 | website; amending s. 791.01, F.S.; revising the |
| 63 | definition of the term "fireworks"; amending s. |
| 64 | 791.012, F.S.; updating the source of the code for |
| 65 | outdoor display of fireworks; providing an effective |
| 66 | date. |
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| 68 | Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: |
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| 70 | Section 1. Section 212.134, Florida Statutes, is amended |
| 71 | to read: |
| 72 | 212.134 Information returns relating to payment-card and |
| 73 | third party third-party network transactions |
| 74 | (1) As used in this section, the term: |
| 75 | (a) "Participating payee" has the same meaning as in s. |
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| 76 | 6050W of the Internal Revenue Code. |
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| 77 | (b) "Return" or "information return" means the Form 1099-K |
| 78 | required under s. 6050W of the Internal Revenue Code. |
| 79 | (c) "Third party network transaction" has the same meaning |
| 80 | as in s. 6050W of the Internal Revenue Code. |
| 81 | (d) "Third party settlement organization" has the same |
| 82 | meaning as in s. 6050W of the Internal Revenue Code. |
| 83 | (2) For each year in which a payment settlement entity, an |
| 84 | electronic payment facilitator, or other third party contracted |
| 85 | with the payment settlement entity to make payments to settle |
| 86 | reportable payment transactions on behalf of the payment |
| 87 | settlement entity must file a return pursuant to s. 6050W of the |
| 88 | Internal Revenue Code, for participating payees with an address |
| 89 | in this state, the entity, the facilitator, or the third party |
| 90 | must submit the information in the return to the department by |
| 91 | the 30th day after filing the federal return. The format of the |
| 92 | information returns required must be either a copy of such |
| 93 | information returns or a copy of such information returns |
| 94 | related to participating payees with an address in the state. |
| 95 | For purposes of this subsection, the term "payment settlement |
| 96 | entity" has the same meaning as provided in s. 6050W of the |
| 97 | Internal Revenue Code. |
| 98 | (3) (2) All reports <u>of returns</u> submitted to the department |
| 99 | under this section must be in an electronic format. |
| 100 | (4)-(3) Any payment settlement entity, facilitator, or |
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101 third party failing to file the information return required, 102 filing an incomplete information return, or not filing an 103 information return within the time prescribed is subject to a penalty of \$1,000 for each failure, if the failure is for not 104 105 more than 30 days, with an additional \$1,000 for each month or fraction of a month during which each failure continues. The 106 107 total amount of penalty imposed on a reporting entity may not 108 exceed \$10,000 annually.

109 <u>(5)(4)</u> The executive director or his or her designee may 110 waive the penalty if he or she determines that the failure to 111 timely file an information return was due to reasonable cause 112 and not due to willful negligence, willful neglect, or fraud.

113 (6) All third party settlement organizations that conduct 114 transactions involving a participating payee with an address in 115 this state and that have a contractual obligation with such 116 participating payee to make payment to the organizations shall 117 create a mechanism for senders of payments to identify whether a 118 payment to a payee is for goods and services or is personal. The 119 mechanism must clearly indicate the sender's requirement to 120 indicate the appropriate transaction type. The sender of the 121 payment is responsible for indicating the appropriate 122 transaction type. All third party settlement organizations shall 123 maintain records that clearly identify whether a transaction, as 124 designated by the sender of the payment, is a transaction for 125 goods and services or is personal. The information in the return

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126 submitted to the department under subsection (2) for such 127 entities must be limited to transactions for goods and services. 128 (7) Notwithstanding this section, subsection (6) does not 129 apply to a third party settlement organization if a contractual 130 agreement or arrangement to provide a third party payment 131 network to a participating payee requires the third party 132 settlement organization solely to settle third party network 133 transactions for the provision of goods and services. 134 Section 2. Subsection (16) is added to section 280.051, 135 Florida Statutes, to read: 280.051 Grounds for suspension or disqualification of a 136 137 qualified public depository.-A qualified public depository may 138 be suspended or disqualified or both if the Chief Financial 139 Officer determines that the qualified public depository has: 140 (16) Pursuant to a determination notice reported by the 141 Office of Financial Regulation under s. 655.49, acted in bad 142 faith when terminating, suspending, or taking similar action 143 restricting access to a customer's or member's account, or 144 failed to cooperate in an investigation conducted pursuant to s. 655.49(3), including, without limitation, failing to timely file 145 a termination-of-access report with the office. 146 147 Section 3. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 148 280.054, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 149 280.054 Administrative penalty in lieu of suspension or 150 disgualification.-

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If the Chief Financial Officer finds that one or more 151 (1)152 grounds exist for the suspension or disqualification of a 153 qualified public depository, the Chief Financial Officer may, in 154 lieu of suspension or disqualification, impose an administrative 155 penalty upon the qualified public depository. 156 (b) With respect to any knowing and willful violation of a 157 lawful order or rule, the Chief Financial Officer may impose a 158 penalty upon the qualified public depository in an amount not 159 exceeding \$1,000 for each violation. If restitution is due, the 160 qualified public depository shall make restitution upon the order of the Chief Financial Officer and shall pay interest on 161 162 such amount at the legal rate. Each day a violation continues 163 constitutes a separate violation. Each of the following Failure 164 to timely file the attestation required under s. 280.025 is deemed a knowing and willful violation by the qualified public 165 166 depository: 167 1. Failure to timely file the attestation required under 168 s. 280.025. 169 2. Bad faith termination, suspension, or similar action 170 restricting access to a customer's or member's account, as determined by the Office of Financial Regulation pursuant to s. 171 172 655.49. 173 3. Failure to cooperate in an investigation conducted 174 pursuant to s. 655.49(3), including, without limitation, failure 175 to timely file a termination-of-access report with the office.

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| 176 | Section 4. Section 287.139, Florida Statutes, is created |
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| 177 | to read: |
| 178 | 287.139 Prohibited contracts and activities; companies |
| 179 | engaging in news source and public figure blacklisting |
| 180 | (1) As used in this section, the term: |
| 181 | (a) "Local governmental entity" means a county, |
| 182 | municipality, special district, or other political subdivision |
| 183 | of this state. |
| 184 | (b) "News source" means an entity doing business in this |
| 185 | state which: |
| 186 | 1. Publishes in excess of 100,000 words available online |
| 187 | with at least 10,000 paid subscribers or 50,000 monthly active |
| 188 | users; |
| 189 | 2. Publishes 100 hours of audio or video available online |
| 190 | with at least 1 million viewers annually; |
| 191 | 3. Operates a cable channel that provides more than 40 |
| 192 | hours of content per week to more than 100,000 cable television |
| 193 | subscribers; or |
| 194 | 4. Operates under a broadcast license issued by the |
| 195 | Federal Communications Commission. |
| 196 | (c) "News source blacklisting" means placing a news source |
| 197 | on a list because the news source is not considered credible or |
| 198 | reliable or to create ratings indicating a news source is not |
| 199 | considered credible or reliable. |
| 200 | (d) "Public figure" means a person who has achieved a role |
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201 of special prominence in the affairs of society. The term does 202 not include a person who is an involuntary public figure. 203 (e) "Public figure blacklisting" means to place a public 204 figure on a list because he or she is not considered credible or 205 reliable or to create ratings indicating a public figure is not 206 considered credible or reliable. 207 (2) An agency or a local governmental entity may not enter 208 into or renew a contract or agreement with an entity for the 209 purpose of developing, providing, or using news source 210 blacklisting or public figure blacklisting. 211 (3) An agency or a local governmental entity may not use, 212 or allow a contractor to use, the lists or ratings of an entity 213 that develops news source blacklisting or public figure 214 blacklisting to decide which news source or which public figure 215 receives information from the agency or local government entity 216 for further distribution to the public. Information from the 217 agency or local government entity under this subsection 218 includes, but is not limited to, time-sensitive information 219 related to emergency event notices for the public, any type of 220 information that is worthy of public consumption, consumer product or consumer scam notices, government contracting 221 opportunities, and traffic and event information. 222 223 Section 5. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 224 489.147, Florida Statutes, is redesignated as paragraph (c), a 225 new paragraph (b) is added to that subsection, and subsection

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226 (6) is added to that section, to read: 227 489.147 Prohibited property insurance practices; contract 228 requirements.-229 (1) As used in this section, the term: 230 "Residential property owner" means the person who (b) 231 holds the legal title to the residential real property that is 232 subject of and directly impacted by the action of a governmental 233 entity. The term does not include a governmental entity. 234 (6) (a) A residential property owner may cancel a contract 235 to replace or repair a roof without penalty or obligation within 236 10 days after the execution of the contract or by the official 237 start date, whichever comes first, if the contract was entered 238 into based on events that are subject of a declaration of a 239 state of emergency by the Governor. For the purposes of this 240 subsection, the official start date is the date on which work 241 that includes the installation of materials that will be 242 included in the final work on the roof commences, a final permit 243 has been issued, or a temporary repair to the roof covering or 244 roof has been made in compliance with the Florida Building Code. 245 (b) A contractor executing a contract during a declaration 246 of a state of emergency to replace or repair a roof of a 247 residential property must include or add as an attachment to the 248 contract the following language, in bold type of not less than 249 18 points, immediately before the space reserved for the signature of the residential property owner: 250

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251 252 "You, the residential property owner, may cancel this contract 253 without penalty or obligation within 10 days after the execution 254 of the contract or by the official start date, whichever comes 255 first, because this contract was entered into during a state of 256 emergency by the Governor. The official start date is the date 257 on which work that includes the installation of materials that 258 will be included in the final work on the roof commences, a 259 final permit has been issued, or a temporary repair to the roof 260 covering or roof system has been made in compliance with the 261 Florida Building Code." 262 263 (c) The residential property owner must send the notice of 264 cancellation by certified mail, return receipt requested, or 265 other form of mailing that provides proof thereof, at the 266 address specified in the contract. 267 Section 6. Subsection (9) of section 559.9611, Florida 268 Statutes, is amended to read: 269 559.9611 Definitions.-As used in this part, the term: 270 "Depository institution" means a bank, a credit union, (9) a savings bank, a savings and loan association, a savings or 271 thrift association, or an industrial loan company doing business 272 273 under the authority of a charter issued by the United States, 274 this state, or any other state, district, territory, or 275 commonwealth of the United States which is authorized to

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| 276 | transact business in this state and whose deposits or share |
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| 277 | accounts are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance |
| 278 | Corporation or the National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund |
| 279 | Florida state-chartered bank, savings bank, credit union, or |
| 280 | trust company, or a federal savings or thrift association, bank, |
| 281 | credit union, savings bank, or thrift. |
| 282 | Section 7. Paragraph (d) of subsection (8) of section |
| 283 | 624.424, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: |
| 284 | 624.424 Annual statement and other information |
| 285 | (8) |
| 286 | (d) Upon creation of the continuing education required |
| 287 | under this paragraph, the certified public accountant that |
| 288 | prepares the audit must be licensed to practice pursuant to |
| 289 | chapter 473 and must have completed at least 4 hours of |
| 290 | insurance-related continuing education during each 2-year |
| 291 | continuing education cycle. An insurer may not use the same |
| 292 | accountant or partner of an accounting firm responsible for |
| 293 | preparing the report required by this subsection for more than 5 |
| 294 | consecutive years. Following this period, the insurer may not |
| 295 | use such accountant or partner for a period of 5 years, but may |
| 296 | use another accountant or partner of the same firm. An insurer |
| 297 | may request the office to waive this prohibition based upon an |
| 298 | unusual hardship to the insurer and a determination that the |
| 299 | accountant is exercising independent judgment that is not unduly |
| 300 | influenced by the insurer considering such factors as the number |
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301 of partners, expertise of the partners or the number of 302 insurance clients of the accounting firm; the premium volume of 303 the insurer; and the number of jurisdictions in which the 304 insurer transacts business.

305 Section 8. Subsection (2) of section 626.8796, Florida 306 Statutes, is amended to read:

307 626.8796 Public adjuster contracts; disclosure statement; 308 fraud statement.-

309 (2) A public adjuster contract relating to a property and casualty claim must contain the full name, permanent business 310 address, phone number, e-mail address, and license number of the 311 public adjuster; the full name and license number of the public 312 adjusting firm; and the insured's full name, street address, 313 314 phone number, and e-mail address, together with a brief 315 description of the loss. The contract must state the percentage 316 of compensation for the public adjuster's services in minimum 317 18-point bold type before the space reserved in the contract for 318 the signature of the insured; the type of claim, including an 319 emergency claim, nonemergency claim, or supplemental claim; the 320 initials of the named insured on each page that does not contain 321 the insured's signature; the signatures of the public adjuster 322 and all named insureds; and the signature date. If all of the 323 named insureds' signatures are not available, the public 324 adjuster must submit an affidavit signed by the available named 325 insureds attesting that they have authority to enter into the

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326 contract and settle all claim issues on behalf of the named 327 insureds. An unaltered copy of the executed contract must be 328 remitted to the insured at the time of execution and to the 329 insurer, or the insurer's representative within 7 days after 330 execution. A public adjusting firm that adjusts claims primarily 331 for commercial entities with operations in more than one state 332 and that does not directly or indirectly perform adjusting services for insurers or individual homeowners is deemed to 333 334 comply with the requirements of this subsection if, at the time 335 a proof of loss is submitted, the public adjusting firm remits 336 to the insurer an affidavit signed by the public adjuster or 337 public adjuster apprentice that identifies:

(a) The full name, permanent business address, phone
number, e-mail address, and license number of the public
adjuster or public adjuster apprentice.

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(b) The full name of the public adjusting firm.

342 (c) The insured's full name, street address, phone number, 343 and e-mail address, together with a brief description of the 344 loss.

345 (d) An attestation that the compensation for public 346 adjusting services will not exceed the limitations provided by 347 law.

348 (e) The type of claim, including an emergency claim,349 nonemergency claim, or supplemental claim.

350 Section 9. Subsection (2) of section 627.43141, Florida

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Statutes, is amended to read:

352 Notice of change in policy terms.-627.43141 353 A renewal policy may contain a change in policy terms. (2) 354 If such change occurs, the insurer shall give the named insured 355 advance written notice summarizing the change, which may be 356 enclosed in along with the written notice of renewal premium 357 required under ss. 627.4133 and 627.728 or sent separately 358 within the timeframe required under the Florida Insurance Code 359 for the provision of a notice of nonrenewal to the named insured 360 for that line of insurance. The insurer must also provide a 361 sample copy of the notice to the named insured's insurance agent 362 before or at the same time that notice is provided to the named 363 insured. Such notice shall be entitled "Notice of Change in 364 Policy Terms." Beginning January 1, 2025, the notice must be in 365 bold type of not less than 14 points and must be included as a 366 single page or consecutive pages, as necessary, within the 367 written notice.

368 Section 10. Section 627.6426, Florida Statutes, is amended 369 to read:

627.6426 Short-term health insurance.-

(1) For purposes of this part, the term "short-term health insurance" means health insurance coverage provided by an issuer with an expiration date specified in the contract that is less than 12 months after the original effective date of the contract and, taking into account renewals or extensions, has a duration

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376 not to exceed 36 months in total. (2) 377 All contracts for short-term health insurance entered 378 into by an issuer and an individual seeking coverage shall 379 include the following written disclosures signed by the 380 purchaser at the time of purchase disclosure: 381 The following statement: (a) 382 383 "This coverage is not required to comply with certain federal 384 market requirements for health insurance, principally those 385 contained in the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act. Be sure to check your policy carefully to make sure you are aware 386 387 of any exclusions or limitations regarding coverage of 388 preexisting conditions or health benefits (such as 389 hospitalization, emergency services, maternity care, preventive 390 care, prescription drugs, and mental health and substance use 391 disorder services). Your policy might also have lifetime and/or 392 annual dollar limits on health benefits. If this coverage 393 expires or you lose eligibility for this coverage, you might 394 have to wait until an open enrollment period to get other health 395 insurance coverage." 396 397 The following information: (b) 398 1. The duration of the contract, including any waiting 399 period. 400 2. Any essential health benefit under 42 U.S.C. s. Page 16 of 23

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401 18022(b) that the contract does not provide. 402 3. The content of coverage. 403 4. Any exclusion of preexisting conditions. 404 (3) The disclosures required in subsection (2) must be 405 printed in no less than 12-point type and in a color that is 406 readable. A copy of the signed disclosures must be maintained by 407 the issuer for a period of 5 years after the date of purchase. (4) Disclosures provided by electronic means must meet the 408 409 requirements of subsection (2). Section 11. Subsection (4) of section 627.70132, Florida 410 411 Statutes, is renumbered as subsection (5), and a new subsection 412 (4) is added to that section to read: 413 627.70132 Notice of property insurance claim.-414 (4) (a) A notice of claim for loss assessment coverage 415 under s. 627.714 may not occur later than 3 years after the date 416 of loss and must be provided to the insurer the later of: 417 1. Within 1 year after the date of loss; or 418 2. Within 90 days after the date on which the condominium 419 association or its governing board votes to levy an assessment 420 resulting from a covered loss. (b) For purposes of this subsection, the date of loss is 421 422 the date of the covered loss event that created the need for an 423 assessment. 424 Section 12. Section 655.49, Florida Statutes, is created 425 to read:

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| 426 | 655.49 Bad faith termination or restriction of account |
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| 427 | access; investigations by the office |
| 428 | (1) A customer or member of a financial institution who |
| 429 | reasonably believes that a financial institution has terminated, |
| 430 | suspended, or taken similar action restricting access to the |
| 431 | customer's or member's account in bad faith may file, within 30 |
| 432 | calendar days after such termination, suspension, or similar |
| 433 | action restricting account access, a complaint with the office |
| 434 | alleging a violation of this section. Such complaint is barred |
| 435 | if not timely filed. |
| 436 | (2) This section does not apply if a financial |
| 437 | institution's termination, suspension, or similar action |
| 438 | restricting a customer's or member's account access was due to |
| 439 | one or more of the following: |
| 440 | (a) The customer or member initiated the change in access; |
| 441 | (b) There is a lack of activity in the account; or |
| 442 | (c) The account is presumed unclaimed property pursuant to |
| 443 | chapter 717. |
| 444 | (3) Upon receipt of a customer's or member's complaint |
| 445 | under subsection (1): |
| 446 | (a) Within 30 calendar days, the office must notify the |
| 447 | financial institution that a complaint has been filed. |
| 448 | (b) Within 30 calendar days after receiving the notice |
| 449 | from the office, the financial institution must file with the |
| 450 | office a termination-of-access report containing such |
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451 information as the commission requires by rule. 452 Within 90 calendar days after receiving the (C) 453 termination-of-access report from the financial institution, the 454 office must investigate the financial institution's action and 455 determine whether the action was taken in bad faith as 456 substantiated by competent and substantial evidence that was 457 known or should have been known to the financial institution at 458 the time of the termination, suspension, or similar action 459 restricting a customer's or member's account access. 460 Within 30 calendar days after making the determination (d) required under paragraph (c), the office must report to the 461 462 Attorney General and the Chief Financial Officer the 463 determination of a bad faith termination, suspension, or similar 464 action restricting a customer's or member's account access. The 465 report to the Attorney General must describe the findings of the 466 investigation, provide a summary of the evidence, and state 467 whether an alleged violation of the financial institutions codes 468 by the financial institution occurred. Upon reporting to the 469 Attorney General pursuant to this paragraph, the office must 470 send a copy of the report to the customer or member by certified 471 mail, return receipt requested. (4) A financial institution's bad faith termination, 472 473 suspension, or similar action restricting access to a customer's 474 or member's account, as determined by the office pursuant to 475 subsection (3), or a financial institution's failure to

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476 cooperate in an investigation conducted pursuant to subsection 477 (3), including, without limitation, failure to timely file a 478 termination-of-access report with the office, constitutes a 479 violation of the financial institutions codes and subjects the 480 financial institution to the applicable sanctions and penalties 481 provided for in the financial institutions codes. 482 (5) In addition to any sanctions and penalties under the financial institutions codes, a financial institution's bad 483 484 faith termination, suspension, or similar action restricting 485 access to a customer's or member's account, as determined by the 486 office pursuant to subsection (3), or a financial institution's 487 failure to cooperate in an investigation conducted pursuant to 488 subsection (3), including, without limitation, failure to timely 489 file a termination-of-access report with the office, constitutes 490 a violation of the Florida Deceptive and Unfair Trade Practices 491 Act under part II of chapter 501, and any exceptions otherwise 492 provided under s. 501.212(4) shall not apply to any violations 493 of this section. Notwithstanding s. 501.211, violations must be 494 enforced only by the enforcing authority, as defined in s. 495 501.203(2), and subject the violator to the sanctions and penalties provided for in part II of chapter 501. If such action 496 497 is successful, the enforcing authority is entitled to reasonable 498 attorney fees and costs. 499 (6) The office shall provide any report filed pursuant to this section, or any information contained therein, to any 500

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501 federal, state, or local law enforcement or prosecutorial 502 agency, and any federal or state agency responsible for the 503 regulation or supervision of financial institutions, if the 504 provision of such report is otherwise required by law. 505 (7) If the office determines under subsection (3) that a 506 financial institution has acted in bad faith, the aggrieved 507 customer or member of the financial institution has a cause of 508 action against the financial institution for damages and may 509 recover damages therefor in any court of competent jurisdiction, 510 together with costs and reasonable attorney fees to be assessed 511 by the court. To recover damages under this subsection, the 512 customer or member must establish by clear and convincing 513 evidence that the financial institution acted in bad faith in 514 terminating, suspending, or taking similar action restricting 515 access to the customer's or member's account. The office's 516 determination that the financial institution has acted in bad 517 faith pursuant to subsection (3) does not, in and of itself, 518 establish clear and convincing evidence that the financial 519 institution acted in bad faith in the termination, suspension, or similar action restricting access to the customer's or 520 member's account. A customer's or member's failure to initiate a 521 522 cause of action under this subsection within 12 months after the 523 office's finding of bad faith pursuant to subsection (3) bars 524 recovery of any filed claims thereafter. 525 (8) By July 1, 2024, the office shall make available on

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526 its website the information necessary for a customer or member 527 of a financial institution to file a complaint with the office 528 under subsection (1). 529 Section 13. Paragraph (a) of subsection (4) of section 530 791.01, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 531 791.01 Definitions.-As used in this chapter, the term: 532 (4) (a) "Fireworks" means and includes any combustible or 533 explosive composition or substance or combination of substances 534 or, except as hereinafter provided, any article prepared for the 535 purpose of producing a visible or audible effect by combustion, 536 explosion, deflagration, or detonation. The term includes blank 537 cartridges and toy cannons in which explosives are used, the 538 type of balloons which require fire underneath to propel them, 539 firecrackers, torpedoes, skyrockets, Roman candles, dago bombs, 540 and any fireworks containing any explosives or flammable 541 compound or any tablets or other device containing any explosive 542 substance. 543 Section 14. Section 791.012, Florida Statutes, is amended 544 to read: 545 791.012 Minimum fireworks safety standards.-The outdoor 546 display of fireworks in this state shall be governed by the 547 National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 1123, Code for 548 Fireworks Display, 2018 1995 Edition, approved by the American 549 National Standards Institute. Any state, county, or municipal law, rule, or ordinance may provide for more stringent 550

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551 regulations for the outdoor display of fireworks, but in no 552 event may any such law, rule, or ordinance provide for less 553 stringent regulations for the outdoor display of fireworks. The 554 division shall promulgate rules to carry out the provisions of 555 this section. The Code for Fireworks Display shall not govern 556 the display of any fireworks on private, residential property 557 and shall not govern the display of those items included under 558 s. 791.01(4)(b) and (c) and authorized for sale thereunder. 559 Section 15. This act shall take effect July 1, 2024.

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