1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to anchoring limitation areas;
3	amending s. 327.60, F.S.; restricting local regulation
4	of vessels outside the marked boundaries of mooring
5	fields in certain counties; amending s. 327.4108,
6	F.S.; designating specified sections of Biscayne Bay
7	in Miami-Dade County as grandfathered-in anchoring
8	limitation areas; amending s. 327.4109, F.S.;
9	increasing the prohibited anchoring and mooring
10	distance of vessels and floating structures near
11	public mooring fields; providing an effective date.
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13	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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15	Section 1. Paragraph (f) of subsection (2) of section
16	327.60, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
17	327.60 Local regulations; limitations
18	(2) This chapter and chapter 328 do not prevent the
19	adoption of any ordinance or local regulation relating to
20	operation of vessels, except that a county or municipality may
21	not enact, continue in effect, or enforce any ordinance or local
22	regulation:
23	(f) Regulating the anchoring of vessels outside the marked
24	boundaries of mooring fields permitted as provided in s. 327.40,
25	except for:
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26 Live-aboard vessels; and 1. 27 Commercial vessels, excluding commercial fishing 2. 28 vessels; and 29 3. In counties with populations of 1.5 million or greater, 30 any vessel that remains anchored overnight for a period of at 31 least 4 hours any time between one-half hour after sunset and 32 one-half hour before sunrise within the jurisdiction of a county 33 for more than 30 days in a 6-month period, excluding any time 34 the vessel is anchored overnight within the boundaries of a 35 marked mooring field or any time the vessel is anchored overnight for the purpose of completing permitted marine 36 37 construction, installation, or maintenance work; Section 2. Paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section 38 39 327.4108, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 327.4108 Anchoring of vessels in anchoring limitation 40 41 areas.-42 (1)The following densely populated urban areas, which 43 have narrow state waterways, residential docking facilities, and significant recreational boating traffic, are designated as and 44 45 shall be considered to be grandfathered-in anchoring limitation areas, within which a person may not anchor a vessel at any time 46 during the period between one-half hour after sunset and one-47 48 half hour before sunrise, except as provided in subsections (4) and (5): 49 50 (C) The sections of Biscayne Bay in Miami-Dade County Page 2 of 4

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51	lying between:
52	1. Palm Island and State Road A1A.
53	2. Palm Island and Star Island.
54	3. Palm Island and Hibiscus Island.
55	4. Palm Island and Watson Island.
56	<u>5.</u> 2. Rivo Alto Island and Di Lido Island.
57	<u>6.</u> 3. San Marino Island and Di Lido Island.
58	7.4. San Marino Island and San Marco Island.
59	<u>8.</u> 5. San Marco Island and Biscayne Island.
60	9. The Sunset Islands.
61	10. Sunset Island I and State Road 112.
62	Section 3. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section
63	327.4109, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
64	327.4109 Anchoring or mooring prohibited; exceptions;
64 65	penalties
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65 66 67 68	penalties (1)(a) The owner or operator of a vessel or floating structure may not anchor or moor such that the nearest approach of the anchored or moored vessel or floating structure is:
65 66 67 68 69	<pre>penalties (1)(a) The owner or operator of a vessel or floating structure may not anchor or moor such that the nearest approach of the anchored or moored vessel or floating structure is: 1. Within 150 feet of any public or private marina, boat</pre>
65 66 67 68 69 70	<pre>penalties (1)(a) The owner or operator of a vessel or floating structure may not anchor or moor such that the nearest approach of the anchored or moored vessel or floating structure is: 1. Within 150 feet of any public or private marina, boat ramp, boatyard, or other public vessel launching or loading</pre>
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65 66 67 68 69 70 71 72	<pre>penalties (1)(a) The owner or operator of a vessel or floating structure may not anchor or moor such that the nearest approach of the anchored or moored vessel or floating structure is: 1. Within 150 feet of any public or private marina, boat ramp, boatyard, or other public vessel launching or loading facility; 2. Within 500 feet of a superyacht repair facility. For</pre>
65 66 67 68 69 70 71 72 73	<pre>penalties (1)(a) The owner or operator of a vessel or floating structure may not anchor or moor such that the nearest approach of the anchored or moored vessel or floating structure is: 1. Within 150 feet of any public or private marina, boat ramp, boatyard, or other public vessel launching or loading facility; 2. Within 500 feet of a superyacht repair facility. For purposes of this subparagraph, the term "superyacht repair</pre>

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3. Within <u>300</u> 100 feet outward from the marked boundary of a public mooring field or a lesser distance if approved by the commission upon request of a local government within which the mooring field is located. The commission may adopt rules to implement this subparagraph.

Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2025.

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