1 A bill to be entitled 2 An act relating to sexual offenders and sexual 3 predators; amending s. 775.215, F.S.; defining the terms "public bathing place" and "public swimming 4 5 pool"; revising residency restrictions for persons 6 convicted of certain sexual offenses occurring on or 7 after a specified date; providing penalties; providing 8 applicability; amending s. 943.04351, F.S.; revising 9 requirements for a search of sexual predator or sexual 10 offender registration information by a state agency or 11 governmental subdivision before appointing or 12 employing a person to work at specified locations; 13 amending s. 947.005, F.S.; defining the terms "public 14 bathing place" and "public swimming pool"; amending s. 947.1405, F.S.; revising special conditions for 15 16 certain sexual offenders subject to conditional release supervision for offenses committed on or after 17 a specified date; amending s. 948.001, F.S.; defining 18 the terms "public bathing place" and "public swimming 19 pool"; amending s. 948.30, F.S.; revising conditions 20 21 of probation or community control for certain sexual offenders for offenses committed on or after a 22 23 specified date; providing an effective date. 24

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

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Section 1. Paragraph (d) of subsection (1) of section 775.215, Florida Statutes, is redesignated as paragraph (f), paragraph (c) of subsection (2) and paragraph (c) of subsection (3) are amended, new paragraphs (d) and (e) are added to subsection (1), and subsection (4) is added to that section, to read:

775.215 Residency restriction for persons convicted of certain sex offenses.—

- (1) As used in this section, the term:
- (d) "Public bathing place" has the same meaning as provided in s. 514.011(4).
- (e) "Public swimming pool" has the same meaning as provided in s. 514.011(2), and also includes a public spray pool or public splash pad.

(2)

(c) This subsection applies to any person convicted of a violation of s. 794.011, s. 800.04, s. 827.071, s. 847.0135(5), or s. 847.0145 for offenses that occurred occur on or after October 1, 2004, and before July 1, 2026, excluding persons who have been removed from the requirement to register as a sexual offender or sexual predator pursuant to s. 943.04354.

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(c) This subsection applies to any person convicted of an offense in another jurisdiction that is similar to a violation

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of s. 794.011, s. 800.04, s. 827.071, s. 847.0135(5), or s. 847.0145 if such offense occurred on or after May 26, 2010, and before July 1, 2026, excluding persons who have been removed from the requirement to register as a sexual offender or sexual predator pursuant to s. 943.04354. (4) (a) A person who has been convicted of a violation of s. 794.011, s. 800.04, s. 827.071, s. 847.0135(5), or s. 847.0145, regardless of whether adjudication has been withheld, in which the victim was less than 16 years of age at the time of the offense, or who has been convicted of a similar offense in another jurisdiction, regardless of whether adjudication has been withheld, in which the victim was less than 16 years of age at the time of the offense, may not reside within 1,000 feet of any school, child care facility, park, public swimming pool, public bathing place, or playground. However, a person does not violate this subsection and may not be forced to relocate if he or she is living in a residence that meets the requirements of this subsection and a school, child care facility, park, public swimming pool, public bathing place, or playground is subsequently established within 1,000 feet of his or her residence.

(b) A person who violates this subsection and whose conviction under s. 794.011, s. 800.04, s. 827.071, s. 847.0135(5), or s. 847.0145 was classified as a felony of the first degree or higher or whose conviction in another

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jurisdiction resulted in a penalty that is substantially similar to a felony of the first degree or higher commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084. A person who violates this subsection and whose conviction under s. 794.011, s. 800.04, s. 827.071, s. 847.0135(5), or s. 847.0145 was classified as a felony of the second or third degree or whose conviction in another jurisdiction was substantially similar to a felony of the second or third degree commits a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

(c) This subsection applies to:

- 1. Any person convicted of a violation described in paragraph (a) for offenses that occur on or after July 1, 2026, excluding persons who have been removed from the requirement to register as a sexual offender or sexual predator pursuant to s. 943.04354.
- 2. Any person who is subject to the residency restrictions in subsection (2) or subsection (3) who changes his or her place of residence on or after July 1, 2026.
- Section 2. Section 943.04351, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 943.04351 Search of registration information regarding sexual predators and sexual offenders required before appointment or employment.—A state agency or governmental subdivision, before making any decision to appoint or employ a

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person to work, whether for compensation or as a volunteer, at any park, playground, <u>public swimming pool</u>, <u>public bathing place</u>, <u>child care facility day care center</u>, or other place where children regularly congregate, must conduct a search of that person's name or other identifying information against the registration information regarding sexual predators and sexual offenders through the Dru Sjodin National Sexual Offender Public Website maintained by the United States Department of Justice. If for any reason that site is not available, a search of the registration information regarding sexual predators and sexual offenders maintained by the Department of Law Enforcement under s. 943.043 shall be performed. This section does not apply to those positions or appointments within a state agency or governmental subdivision for which a state and national criminal history background check is conducted.

Section 3. Subsections (10) through (15) of section 947.005, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (12) through (17), respectively, and new subsections (10) and (11) are added to that section, to read:

947.005 Definitions.—As used in this chapter, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

- (10) "Public bathing place" has the same meaning as provided in s. 514.011(4).
- (11) "Public swimming pool" has the same meaning as provided in s. 514.011(2), and also includes a public spray pool

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Section 4. Subsections (15) and (16) are added to section 947.1405, Florida Statutes, to read:

947.1405 Conditional release program.-

- committed on or after July 1, 2026, or who has been previously convicted of a crime committed on or after July 1, 2026, in violation of chapter 794, s. 800.04, s. 827.071, s. 847.0135(5), or s. 847.0145, against a victim who was under 18 years of age at the time of the offense, in addition to any other provision of this section, the commission must impose the following conditions:
- (a) A prohibition on living within 1,000 feet of any public swimming pool or public bathing place. A releasee who is subject to this paragraph may not be forced to relocate and does not violate his or her conditional release supervision if he or she is living in a residence that meets the requirements of this paragraph and a public swimming pool or public bathing place is subsequently established within 1,000 feet of his or her residence.
- (b) A prohibition on working for pay or as a volunteer at any public swimming pool or public bathing place.
- (16) In addition to all other conditions imposed, for a releasee who is subject to conditional release for a crime that was committed on or after July 1, 2026, and who has been

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convicted at any time of committing, or attempting, soliciting, or conspiring to commit, any of the criminal offenses listed in s. 943.0435(1)(h)1.a.(I), or a similar offense in another jurisdiction against a victim who was under 18 years of age at the time of the offense, if the releasee has not received a pardon for any felony or similar law of another jurisdiction necessary for the operation of this subsection, if a conviction of a felony or similar law of another jurisdiction necessary for the operation of this subsection has not been set aside in any postconviction proceeding, or if the releasee has not been removed from the requirement to register as a sexual offender or sexual predator pursuant to s. 943.04354, the commission must impose a condition prohibiting the releasee from visiting a public swimming pool or public bathing place without prior approval from his or her supervising officer. Section 5. Subsections (9) through (13) of section 948.001, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (11) through (15), respectively, and new subsections (9) and (10) are added to that section to read: 948.001 Definitions.—As used in this chapter, the term: (9) "Public bathing place" has the same meaning as provided in s. 514.011(4). "Public swimming pool" has the same meaning as

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provided in s. 514.011(2), and also includes a public spray pool

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or public splash pad.

Section 6. Subsections (6) and (7) are added to section 948.30, Florida Statutes, to read:

948.30 Additional terms and conditions of probation or community control for certain sex offenses.—Conditions imposed pursuant to this section do not require oral pronouncement at the time of sentencing and shall be considered standard conditions of probation or community control for offenders specified in this section.

- (6) In addition to all other conditions imposed, for a probationer or community controllee whose crime was committed on or after July 1, 2026, and who is placed on supervision for committing, or attempting, soliciting, or conspiring to commit a violation of s. 787.06(3)(b), (d), (f), or (g); chapter 794; s. 800.04; s. 827.071; s. 847.0135(5); or s. 847.0145 against a victim who was under 18 years of age at the time of the offense, the court must impose the following conditions:
- (a) A prohibition on living within 1,000 feet of any public swimming pool or public bathing place. A probationer or community controllee who is subject to this paragraph may not be forced to relocate and does not violate his or her probation or community control if he or she is living in a residence that meets the requirements of this paragraph and a public swimming pool or public bathing place is subsequently established within 1,000 feet of his or her residence.
 - (b) A prohibition on working for pay or as a volunteer at

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any public swimming pool or public bathing place.
(7) In addition to all other conditions imposed, for a
probationer or community controllee who is subject to
supervision for a crime that was committed on or after July 1,
2026, and who has been convicted at any time of committing, or
attempting, soliciting, or conspiring to commit, any of the
criminal offenses listed in s. 943.0435(1)(h)1.a.(I), or a
similar offense in another jurisdiction, against a victim who
was under the age of 18 at the time of the offense, if the
offender has not received a pardon for any felony or similar law
of another jurisdiction necessary for the operation of this
subsection, if a conviction of a felony or similar law of
another jurisdiction necessary for the operation of this
subsection has not been set aside in any postconviction
proceeding, or if the offender has not been removed from the
requirement to register as a sexual offender or sexual predator
pursuant to s. 943.04354, the court must impose a condition
prohibiting the probationer or community controllee from
visiting a public swimming pool or public bathing place without
prior approval from his or her supervising officer.
Section 7. This act shall take effect July 1, 2026.