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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to problem-solving court reports;
3 amending s. 43.51, F.S.; requiring that specified data
4 be included in problem-solving court reports; amending
5 ss. 394.47892 and 397.334, F.S.; conforming provisions
6 to changes made by the act; revising the frequency
7 with which mental health and treatment-based drug
8 court program reports, respectively, must be reported
9 to the Office of the State Courts Administrator;
10 providing an effective date.

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

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14 Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 43.51, Florida
15 Statutes, is amended to read:

16 43.51 Problem-solving court reports.—

17 (1) The Office of the State Courts Administrator shall
18 provide an annual report to the President of the Senate and the
19 Speaker of the House of Representatives which details the number
20 of participants in each problem-solving court for each fiscal
21 year the court has been operating and the types of services
22 provided, identifies each source of funding for each court
23 during each fiscal year, and provides information on the
24 performance of each court based upon outcome measures
25 established by the courts. The report must, at a minimum,
26 include uniform aggregate data regarding:

27 (a) The number of participants by court type.

28 (b) Participant primary offenses that resulted in the court
29 program referral or sentence, treatment compliance, completion

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30 status and reasons for failure to complete, offenses committed
31 during treatment and the sanctions imposed, frequency of court
32 appearances, and units of service.

33 (c) Participant recidivism rate by category, including new
34 arrests, new adjudications, and new felony adjudications.

35 (d) Participant changes in the status of employment,
36 housing, and child custody during program participation.

37 (e) Other uniform information that demonstrates the
38 effectiveness of the program.

39 Section 2. Paragraph (b) of subsection (5) of section
40 394.47892, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

41 394.47892 Mental health court programs.—

42 (5)

43 (b) Each mental health court program shall collect
44 sufficient client-level data and programmatic information for
45 purposes of program evaluation under s. 43.51. Client-level data
46 includes primary offenses that resulted in the mental health
47 court program referral or sentence, treatment compliance,
48 completion status and reasons for failure to complete, offenses
49 committed during treatment and the sanctions imposed, frequency
50 of court appearances, and units of service. Programmatic
51 information includes referral and screening procedures,
52 eligibility criteria, type and duration of treatment offered,
53 and residential treatment resources. The programmatic
54 information and aggregate data must ~~on the number of mental~~
55 ~~health court program admissions and terminations by type of~~
56 ~~termination shall~~ be reported at least quarterly annually by
57 ~~each mental health court program~~ to the Office of the State
58 Courts Administrator.

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59 Section 3. Paragraph (b) of subsection (6) of section
60 397.334, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

61 397.334 Treatment-based drug court programs.—

62 (6)

63 (b) Each treatment-based drug court program shall collect
64 sufficient client-level data and programmatic information for
65 purposes of program evaluation under s. 43.51. Client-level data
66 includes primary offenses that resulted in the treatment-based
67 drug court program referral or sentence, treatment compliance,
68 completion status and reasons for failure to complete, offenses
69 committed during treatment and the sanctions imposed, frequency
70 of court appearances, and units of service. Programmatic
71 information includes referral and screening procedures,
72 eligibility criteria, type and duration of treatment offered,
73 and residential treatment resources. Each treatment-based drug
74 court program must ~~annually~~ report at least quarterly the
75 programmatic information and aggregate data ~~on the number of~~
76 ~~treatment-based drug court program admissions and terminations~~
77 ~~by type of termination~~ to the Office of the State Courts
78 Administrator.

79 Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2026.