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Bill No. CS/CS/HB 189 (2026)

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OTHER

1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Commerce Committee

2 Representative Trabulsky offered the following:

4 **Amendment (with title amendment)**

5 Remove everything after the enacting clause and insert:

7 **Section 1. Subsection (3) of section 16.712, Florida**

8 **Statutes, is amended to read:**

9 16.712 Florida Gaming Control Commission authorizations,
10 duties, and responsibilities.—

11 (3) By December 1 of each year, the commission shall make
12 an annual report to the Governor, the President of the Senate,
13 and the Speaker of the House of Representatives. The report
14 must, at a minimum, include all of the following:

15 (h) A summary of actions taken and investigations
16 conducted by the commission, including the number of

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17 investigations that led to criminal charges or any information
18 being filed and the resolution of such criminal charges or case.

19 (i) The number of complaints received by the commission
20 categorized by subject matter or the type of complaint and a
21 summary of the action taken on each complaint by the commission.

22 (j) A list of property seized by the commission during the
23 course of investigations, and the disposition of such property,
24 including a list of forfeiture actions.

25 **Section 2. Paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (2) of**
26 **section 16.713, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:**

27 16.713 Florida Gaming Control Commission; appointment and
28 employment restrictions.—

29 (2) PROHIBITIONS FOR EMPLOYEES AND COMMISSIONERS; PERSONS
30 INELIGIBLE FOR APPOINTMENT TO AND EMPLOYMENT WITH THE
31 COMMISSION.—

32 (a) A person may not, for the 2 years immediately
33 preceding the date of appointment to or employment with the
34 commission and while appointed to or employed with the
35 commission:

36 1. Hold a permit or license issued under chapter 550 or a
37 license issued under chapter 551 or chapter 849; be an officer,
38 official, or employee of such permitholder or licensee; or be an
39 ultimate equitable owner, as defined in s. 550.002(37), of such
40 permitholder or licensee;

41 2. Be an officer, official, employee, or other person with

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42 duties or responsibilities relating to a gaming operation owned
43 by an Indian tribe that has a valid and active compact with the
44 state; be a contractor or subcontractor of such tribe or an
45 entity employed, licensed, or contracted by such tribe; or be an
46 ultimate equitable owner, as defined in s. 550.002(37), of such
47 entity;

48 3. Be a registered lobbyist for the executive or
49 legislative branch, except while a commissioner or employee of
50 the commission when officially representing the commission or
51 unless the person registered as a lobbyist for the executive or
52 legislative branch while employed by a state agency as defined
53 in s. 110.107 during the normal course of his or her employment
54 with such agency and he or she has not lobbied on behalf of any
55 entity other than a state agency during the 2 years immediately
56 preceding the date of his or her appointment to or employment
57 with the commission; ~~or~~

58 4. Be a bingo game operator or an employee of a bingo game
59 operator; ~~or~~

60 5. Be an employee, associate, owner, or contractor for any
61 person or entity that conducts or facilitates an activity
62 regulated, enforced, or investigated by the commission,
63 including fantasy sports contests and other betting activities.

64 (b) A person is ineligible for appointment to or
65 employment with the commission if, within the 2 years
66 immediately preceding such appointment or employment, he or she

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67 violated paragraph (a) or solicited or accepted employment with,
68 acquired any direct or indirect interest in, or had any direct
69 or indirect business association, partnership, or financial
70 relationship with, or is a relative of:

71 1. Any person or entity who is an applicant, licensee, or
72 registrant with the commission; ~~or~~

73 2. Any officer, official, employee, or other person with
74 duties or responsibilities relating to a gaming operation owned
75 by an Indian tribe that has a valid and active compact with the
76 state; any contractor or subcontractor of such tribe or an
77 entity employed, licensed, or contracted by such tribe; or any
78 ultimate equitable owner, as defined in s. 550.002(37), of such
79 entity; or

80 3. Any person or entity that conducts or facilitates an
81 activity regulated, enforced, or investigated by the commission,
82 including fantasy sports contests and other betting activities.

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84 For the purposes of this subsection, the term "relative" means a
85 spouse, father, mother, son, daughter, grandfather, grandmother,
86 brother, sister, uncle, aunt, cousin, nephew, niece, father-in-
87 law, mother-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother-in-law,
88 sister-in-law, stepfather, stepmother, stepson, stepdaughter,
89 stepbrother, stepsister, half brother, or half sister.

90 **Section 3. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) and paragraphs**
91 **(b) and (c) of subsection (2) of section 16.715, Florida**

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92 **Statutes, are amended to read:**

93 16.715 Florida Gaming Control Commission standards of
94 conduct; ex parte communications.—

95 (1) STANDARDS OF CONDUCT.—

96 (b) 1. A commissioner or employee of the commission may not
97 accept anything from any business entity that, either directly
98 or indirectly, owns or controls any person regulated by the
99 commission or from any business entity that, either directly or
100 indirectly, is an affiliate or subsidiary of any person
101 regulated by the commission.

102 2. A commissioner or an employee may attend conferences,
103 along with associated meals and events that are generally
104 available to all conference participants, without payment of any
105 fees in addition to the conference fee. Additionally, while
106 attending a conference, a commissioner or an employee may attend
107 meetings, meals, or events that are not sponsored, in whole or
108 in part, by any representative of any person regulated by the
109 commission and that are limited to commissioners or employees
110 only, committee members, or speakers if the commissioner or
111 employee is a member of a committee of the association of
112 regulatory agencies which organized the conference or is a
113 speaker at the conference. It is not a violation of this
114 subparagraph for a commissioner or an employee to attend a
115 conference for which conference participants who are employed by
116 a person regulated by the commission have paid a higher

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117 conference registration fee than the commissioner or employee,
118 or to attend a meal or event that is generally available to all
119 conference participants without payment of any fees in addition
120 to the conference fee and that is sponsored, in whole or in
121 part, by a person regulated by the commission.

122 3. While employed, and for 2 years after service as a
123 commissioner or for 2 years after employment with the
124 commission, a commissioner or an employee may not accept any
125 form of employment with or engage in any business activity with
126 any business entity that, either directly or indirectly, owns or
127 controls any person regulated by the commission; any person
128 regulated by the commission; or any business entity that, either
129 directly or indirectly, is an affiliate or subsidiary of any
130 person regulated by the commission; or be an employee,
131 associate, owner, or contractor for any person or entity that
132 conducts or facilitates an activity regulated, enforced, or
133 investigated by the commission, including fantasy sports
134 contests and other betting activities.

135 4. While employed, and for 2 years after service as a
136 commissioner or for 2 years after employment with the
137 commission, a commissioner, an employee, or a relative living in
138 the same household as a commissioner or an employee may not have
139 any financial interest, other than shares in a mutual fund, in
140 any person regulated by the commission; in any business entity
141 that, either directly or indirectly, owns or controls any person

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142 regulated by the commission; or in any business entity that,
143 either directly or indirectly, is an affiliate or a subsidiary
144 of any person regulated by the commission; or be an employee,
associate, owner, or contractor for any person or entity that
145 conducts or facilitates an activity regulated, enforced, or
146 investigated by the commission, including fantasy sports
147 contests and other betting activities. If a commissioner, an
148 employee, or a relative living in the same household as a
149 commissioner or an employee acquires any financial interest
150 prohibited by this subsection during the commissioner's term of
151 office or the employee's employment with the commission as a
152 result of events or actions beyond the commissioner's, the
153 employee's, or the relative's control, he or she shall
154 immediately sell such financial interest. For the purposes of
155 this subsection, the term "relative" has the same meaning as in
156 s. 16.713(2) (b).

158 5. A commissioner or an employee may not accept anything
159 from a party in a proceeding currently pending before the
160 commission.

161 6. A commissioner may not serve as the representative of
162 any political party or on any executive committee or other
163 governing body of a political party; serve as an executive
164 officer or employee of any political party, committee,
165 organization, or association; receive remuneration for
166 activities on behalf of any candidate for public office; engage

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167 on behalf of any candidate for public office in the solicitation
168 of votes or other activities on behalf of such candidacy; or
169 become a candidate for election to any public office without
170 first resigning from office.

171 7. A commissioner, during his or her term of office, may
172 not make any public comment regarding the merits of any
173 proceeding under ss. 120.569 and 120.57 currently pending before
174 the commission.

175 8. A commissioner or an employee may not act in an
176 unprofessional manner at any time during the performance of
177 official duties.

178 9. A commissioner or an employee must avoid impropriety in
179 all activities and must act at all times in a manner that
180 promotes public confidence in the integrity and impartiality of
181 the commission.

182 10. A commissioner or an employee may not directly or
183 indirectly, through staff or other means, solicit anything of
184 value from any person regulated by the commission, or from any
185 business entity that, whether directly or indirectly, is an
186 affiliate or a subsidiary of any person regulated by the
187 commission, or from any party appearing in a proceeding
188 considered by the commission in the last 2 years.

189 11. A commissioner may not lobby the Governor or any
190 agency of the state, members or employees of the Legislature, or
191 any county or municipal government or governmental agency except

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192 to represent the commission in an official capacity.

193 (2) FORMER COMMISSIONERS AND EMPLOYEES.—

194 (b) A commissioner, the executive director, or an employee
195 of the commission may not, for the 2 years immediately following
196 the date of resignation or termination from the commission:

197 1. Hold a permit or license issued under chapter 550, or a
198 license issued under chapter 551 or chapter 849; be an officer,
199 official, or employee of such permitholder or licensee; ~~or~~ be an
200 ultimate equitable owner, as defined in s. 550.002(37), of such
201 permitholder or licensee; or be an employee, associate, owner,
202 or contractor for any person or entity that conducts or
203 facilitates an activity regulated, enforced, or investigated by
204 the commission, including fantasy sports contests and other
205 betting activities;

206 2. Accept employment by or compensation from a business
207 entity that, directly or indirectly, owns or controls a person
208 regulated by the commission; from a person regulated by the
209 commission; from a business entity which, directly or
210 indirectly, is an affiliate or subsidiary of a person regulated
211 by the commission; ~~or~~ from a business entity or trade
212 association that has been a party to a commission proceeding
213 within the 2 years preceding the member's resignation or
214 termination of service on the commission; or from any person or
215 entity that conducts or facilitates an activity regulated,
216 enforced, or investigated by the commission, including fantasy

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217 sports contests and other betting activities; or

218 3. Be a bingo game operator or an employee of a bingo game
219 operator.

220 (c) A person employed by the commission may not, for the 2
221 years immediately following the date of termination or
222 resignation from employment with the commission:

223 1. Hold a permit or license issued under chapter 550, or a
224 license issued under chapter 551 or chapter 849; be an officer,
225 official, or employee of such permitholder or licensee; ~~or~~ be an
226 ultimate equitable owner, as defined in s. 550.002(37), of such
227 permitholder or licensee; or be an employee, associate, owner,
228 or contractor for any person or entity that conducts or
229 facilitates an activity regulated, enforced, or investigated by
230 the commission, including fantasy sports contests and other
231 betting activities; or

232 2. Be a bingo game operator or an employee of a bingo game
233 operator.

234 **Section 4. Subsections (1) and (3) of section 20.055,
235 Florida Statutes, are amended to read:**

236 20.055 Agency inspectors general.—

237 (1) As used in this section, the term:

238 (a) "Agency head" means the Governor, a Cabinet officer,
239 or a secretary or executive director as those terms are defined
240 in s. 20.03, the chair of the Public Service Commission, the
241 Director of the Office of Insurance Regulation of the Financial

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242 Services Commission, the Director of the Office of Financial
243 Regulation of the Financial Services Commission, the board of
244 directors of the Florida Housing Finance Corporation, the
245 commissioners chair of the Florida Gaming Control Commission,
246 and the Chief Justice of the State Supreme Court.

247 (3) (a)1. For state agencies under the jurisdiction of the
248 Cabinet or the Governor and Cabinet, or for the Florida Gaming
249 Control Commission, the inspector general shall be appointed by
250 the agency head. For state agencies under the jurisdiction of
251 the Governor, the inspector general shall be appointed by the
252 Chief Inspector General. The agency head or Chief Inspector
253 General shall notify the Governor in writing of his or her
254 intention to hire the inspector general at least 7 days before
255 an offer of employment. The inspector general shall be appointed
256 without regard to political affiliation.

257 2. Within 60 days after a vacancy or anticipated vacancy
258 in the position of inspector general, the agency head or, for
259 agencies under the jurisdiction of the Governor, the Chief
260 Inspector General, shall initiate a national search for an
261 inspector general and shall set the salary of the inspector
262 general. Effective July 1, 2017, an agency that enters into an
263 employment agreement, or renewal or renegotiation of an existing
264 contract or employment agreement with an inspector general or
265 deputy inspector, may not offer a bonus on work performance in
266 the contract or agreement and the awarding of such bonuses is

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267 prohibited. In the event of a vacancy in the position of
268 inspector general, the agency head or, for agencies under the
269 jurisdiction of the Governor, the Chief Inspector General, may
270 appoint other office of inspector general management personnel
271 as interim inspector general until such time as a successor
272 inspector general is appointed.

273 3. A former or current elected official may not be
274 appointed inspector general within 5 years after the end of such
275 individual's period of service. This restriction does not
276 prohibit the reappointment of a current inspector general.

277 **Section 5. Present subsections (8) and (9) of section**

278 **546.10, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (9) and**
279 **(10), respectively, and a new subsection (8) is added to that**
280 **section, to read:**

281 546.10 Amusement games or machines.—

282 (8) (a)1. Before purchasing or installing a game or machine
283 on the premises of any veterans' service organization granted a
284 federal charter under Title 36, U.S.C., or a division, a
285 department, a post, or a chapter of such organization, for which
286 an alcoholic beverage license has been issued, and the veterans'
287 service organization is in doubt about whether a machine meets
288 the definition of an amusement machine under this section, the
289 organization may petition the Florida Gaming Control Commission
290 for a declaratory statement under s. 120.565 on whether the
291 operation of the game or machine complies with this section or

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292 chapter 849. An organization awaiting a declaratory statement
293 from the commission may not purchase or install such game or
294 machine until the declaratory statement is issued.

295 2. If there is a game or machine currently on the premises
296 of any veterans' service organization granted a federal charter
297 under Title 36, U.S.C., or a division, a department, a post, or
298 a chapter of such organization, for which an alcoholic beverage
299 license has been issued and the veterans' service organization
300 is in doubt about whether a machine meets the definition of an
301 amusement machine under this section, the organization may
302 petition the commission for a declaratory statement pursuant to
303 s. 120.565 on whether the operation of the game or machine
304 complies with this section or would be a violation of this
305 section or chapter 849. If the game, machine, premises, or
306 organization is the subject of an ongoing criminal
307 investigation, the organization is not entitled to petition the
308 commission for a declaratory statement under this subsection and
309 the commission may deny a petition on such grounds.

310 3. The commission shall issue a declaratory statement
311 pursuant to this subsection within 60 days after receiving a
312 petition requesting such statement. The commission may not deny
313 a petition that is validly requested pursuant to this subsection
314 and s. 120.565.

315 (b) A petition made under this subsection must provide
316 enough information for the commission to issue the declaratory

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317 statement and must be accompanied by the exact specifications
318 for the type of game or machine that the organization will
319 purchase or install or currently has on the premises. The
320 declaratory statement is valid only for the game or machine for
321 which it is requested and is invalid if the specifications for
322 the game or the machine have been changed.

323 (c) The declaratory statement is binding on the commission
324 and may be introduced in any subsequent proceedings as evidence
325 of a good faith effort to comply with this section or chapter
326 849.

327 (d) This subsection does not prevent the commission or any
328 other criminal justice agency as defined in s. 943.045 from
329 detecting, apprehending, and arresting a person for any alleged
330 violation of this chapter, chapter 24, part II of chapter 285,
331 chapter 550, chapter 551, or chapter 849, or any rule adopted
332 pursuant thereto, or of any law of this state.

333 (e) This subsection does not require an owner or an
334 operator of an amusement game or machine under this section to
335 request or obtain a declaratory statement in order to operate
336 pursuant to this section.

337 **Section 6. Subsection (37) of section 550.002, Florida**
338 **Statutes, is amended to read:**

339 550.002 Definitions.—As used in this chapter, the term:

340 (37) "Ultimate equitable owner" means a natural person
341 who, directly or indirectly, owns or controls ~~5 percent or more~~

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342 of an ownership interest in a corporation, foreign corporation,
343 or alien business organization, regardless of whether such
344 person owns or controls such ownership through one or more
345 natural persons or one or more proxies, powers of attorney,
346 nominees, corporations, associations, partnerships, trusts,
347 joint stock companies, or other entities or devices, or any
348 combination thereof.

349 **Section 7. Paragraph (b) of subsection (11) and subsection
350 (12) of section 550.054, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:**

351 550.054 Application for permit to conduct pari-mutuel
352 wagering.—

353 (11)

354 (b) If a permit to conduct pari-mutuel wagering is held by
355 a corporation or business entity other than an individual, the
356 transfer of any 10 percent or more of the stock or other
357 evidence of ownership or equity in the permitholder may not be
358 made without the prior approval of the transferee by the
359 commission pursuant to s. 550.1815.

360 (12) Changes in ownership or interest of a pari-mutuel
361 permit of any 5 percent or more of the stock or other evidence
362 of ownership or equity in the permitholder shall be approved by
363 the commission before prior to such change, unless the owner is
364 an existing owner of that permit who was previously approved by
365 the commission. Changes in ownership or interest of a pari-
366 mutuel permit of less than 5 percent shall be reported to the

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367 commission within 20 days of the change. The commission may then
368 conduct an investigation related to the request for to ensure
369 ~~that the permit is properly updated to show the change in~~
370 ownership or interest.

371 **Section 8. Subsection (3) of section 550.09512, Florida
372 Statutes, is amended to read:**

373 550.09512 Harness horse taxes; abandoned interest in a
374 permit for nonpayment of taxes.—

375 (3)(a) The permit of a harness horse permitholder who is
376 conducting live harness horse performances and who does not pay
377 tax on handle for any such performances conducted during any 2
378 consecutive state fiscal years shall be void and may not be
379 reissued unless such failure to operate and pay tax on handle
380 was the direct result of fire, strike, war, hurricane, pandemic,
381 or other disaster or event beyond the ability of the
382 permitholder to control. Financial hardship to the permitholder
383 shall not, in and of itself, constitute just cause for failure
384 to operate and pay tax on handle.

385 (b) ~~In order to maximize the tax revenues to the state,
386 the commission shall reissue an escheated harness horse permit
387 to a qualified applicant pursuant to the provisions of this
388 chapter as for the issuance of an initial permit. However, the
389 provisions of this chapter relating to referendum requirements
390 for a pari-mutuel permit shall not apply to the reissuance of an
391 escheated harness horse permit. As specified in the application~~

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392 and upon approval by the commission of an application for the
393 permit, the new permitholder shall be authorized to operate a
394 harness horse facility anywhere in the same county in which the
395 escheated permit was authorized to be operated, notwithstanding
396 the provisions of s. 550.054(2) relating to mileage limitations.

397 **Section 9. Subsection (3) of section 550.09515, Florida
398 Statutes, is amended to read:**

399 550.09515 Thoroughbred horse taxes; abandoned interest in
400 a permit for nonpayment of taxes.—

401 (3) ~~(a)~~ The permit of a thoroughbred horse permitholder who
402 does not pay tax on handle for live thoroughbred horse
403 performances for a full schedule of live races during any 2
404 consecutive state fiscal years shall be void and shall not be
405 ~~reissued escheat to and become the property of the state unless~~
406 such failure to operate and pay tax on handle was the direct
407 result of fire, strike, war, or other disaster or event beyond
408 the ability of the permitholder to control. Financial hardship
409 to the permitholder does ~~shall~~ not, in and of itself, constitute
410 just cause for failure to operate and pay tax on handle.

411 ~~(b) In order to maximize the tax revenues to the state,~~
412 ~~the commission shall reissue an escheated thoroughbred horse~~
413 ~~permit to a qualified applicant pursuant to the provisions of~~
414 ~~this chapter as for the issuance of an initial permit. However,~~
415 ~~the provisions of this chapter relating to referendum~~
416 ~~requirements for a pari-mutuel permit shall not apply to the~~

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417 ~~reissuance of an escheated thoroughbred horse permit. As~~
418 ~~specified in the application and upon approval by the commission~~
419 ~~of an application for the permit, the new permitholder shall be~~
420 ~~authorized to operate a thoroughbred horse facility anywhere in~~
421 ~~the same county in which the escheated permit was authorized to~~
422 ~~be operated, notwithstanding the provisions of s. 550.054(2)~~
423 ~~relating to mileage limitations.~~

424 **Section 10. Subsections (1) and (2) of section 838.12,**
425 **Florida Statutes, are amended, and subsection (3) is added, to**
426 **read:**

427 838.12 Bribery in athletic contests.—

428 (1) A person who ~~Whoever~~ gives, promises, offers or
429 conspires to give, promise or offer, to anyone who participates
430 or expects to participate in any professional or amateur game,
431 contest, match, race or sport; or to any umpire, referee, judge
432 or other official of such game, contest, match, race or sport;
433 or to any owner, manager, coach or trainer of, or to any
434 relative of, or to any person having any direct, indirect,
435 remote or possible connection with, any team, individual,
436 participant or prospective participant in any such professional
437 or amateur game, contest, match, race or sport, or the officials
438 aforesaid, any bribe, money, goods, present, reward or any
439 valuable thing whatsoever, or any promise, contract or agreement
440 whatsoever, with intent to influence him or her or them to lose
441 or cause to be lost any game, contest, match, race or sport, or

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442 to limit his or her or their or any person's or any team's
443 margin of victory in any game, contest, match, race, or sport,
444 or to fix or throw any game, contest, match, race or sport,
445 commits shall be guilty of a felony of the third degree,
446 punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

447 (2) Any participant or prospective participant in any
448 professional or amateur game, contest, match, race or sport; or
449 any umpire, referee, judge or other official of such game,
450 contest, match, race or sport; or any owner, manager, coach or
451 trainer of, or any relative of, or any person having any direct,
452 indirect, remote or possible connection with, any team,
453 individual, participant or prospective participant in any such
454 professional or amateur game, contest, match, race or sport, or
455 the officials aforesaid; who in any way solicits, receives or
456 accepts, or agrees to receive or accept, or who conspires to
457 receive or accept, any bribe, money, goods, present, reward or
458 any valuable thing whatsoever, or any promise, contract or
459 agreement whatsoever, with intent to lose or cause to be lost
460 any game, contest, match, race or sport, or to limit his, her,
461 their or any person's or any team's margin of victory in any
462 game, contest, match, race or sport, or to fix or throw any
463 game, contest, match, race or sport, commits shall be guilty of
464 a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s.
465 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

466 (3) A person who stakes, bets, or wagers any money or

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467 other thing of value upon the result of any professional or
468 amateur game, contest, match, race, or sport with knowledge that
469 the results of such professional or amateur game, contest,
470 match, race, or sport are prearranged or predetermined as
471 described in subsection (1) or subsection (2) commits a felony
472 of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s.
473 775.083, or s. 775.084.

474 **Section 11. Section 849.01, Florida Statutes, is amended
475 to read:**

476 849.01 Keeping gambling houses, etc.—A person who Whoever
477 by herself or himself, her or his servant, clerk or agent, or in
478 any other manner has, keeps, exercises or maintains a gaming
479 table or room, or gaming implements or apparatus, or house,
480 booth, tent, shelter or other place for the purpose of gaming or
481 gambling or in any place of which she or he may directly or
482 indirectly have charge, control or management, either
483 exclusively or with others, procures, suffers or permits any
484 person to play for money or other valuable thing at any game
485 whatever, whether heretofore prohibited or not, commits a felony
486 misdemeanor of the third second degree, punishable as provided
487 in s. 775.082, or s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

488 **Section 12. Subsections (1), (2), and (3) are added to
489 section 849.02, Florida Statutes, to read:**

490 849.02 Agents or employees of keeper of gambling house.—A
491 person who Whoever acts as servant, clerk, agent, or employee of

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492 any person in the violation of s. 849.01 commits:493 (1) For a first offense, a misdemeanor of the first
494 degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.495 (2) For a second offense, a felony of the third degree,
496 punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.497 (3) For a third or subsequent offense, a felony of the
498 second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083,
499 or s. 775.084 shall be punished in the manner and to the extent
500 therein mentioned.501 **Section 13. Section 849.021, Florida Statutes, is created**
502 **to read:**503 849.021 Government employee misconduct.--504 (1) As used in this section, the term:505 (a) "Government employee" means any person employed by, or
506 acting on behalf of, the state of Florida or any political
507 subdivision thereof.508 (b) "Political subdivision" means a county, municipality,
509 department, commission, district, board, or other public body,
510 whether corporate or otherwise, created by or under state law.511 (2) Any government employee who knowingly certifies,
512 licenses, approves, aids, facilitates, or conceals the operation
513 of a gambling house in violation of s. 849.01, commits:514 (a) For a first offense, a felony of the third degree,
515 punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.516 (b) For a second or subsequent offense, a felony of the

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517 second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083,
518 or s. 775.084.

519 (3) This section does not apply to any person who is acting
520 in the scope of his or her employment and, in good faith,
521 reports suspected violations of chapter 849 to law enforcement
522 or regulatory agencies.

523 **Section 14. Section 849.023, Florida Statutes, is created**
524 **to read:**

525 849.023 Licensure disqualifying offenses; corporate
526 shielding prohibited.—

527 (1) DEFINITIONS: As used in this section, the term:
528 (a) "License" means a license within the meaning of s.
529 120.52(10) issued by:

530 1. The Department of Business and Professional Regulation,
531 pursuant to chapter 509, chapter 561, chapter 562, chapter 563,
532 chapter 564, chapter 565, chapter 567, chapter 568, or chapter
533 569;

534 2. The Florida Gaming Control Commission, pursuant to
535 chapter 550, chapter 551, or s. 849.086;

536 3. The Office of Financial Regulation, pursuant to chapter
537 560.

538 (b) "Licensee" means a holder of a license.

539 (c) "Controlling Person" means:

540 1. A corporate officer or director, or, if a limited
541 liability company, manager of the licensee or applicant for a

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542 license;543 2. A general partner, member, or owner of more than 5
544 percent of any equity interest, direct or indirect, in the
545 licensee or applicant;546 3. An owner of any interest in the licensee or applicant,
547 including any immediate family member of the owner, or holder of
548 any debt, mortgage, contract, or concession from the licensee or
549 applicant, who by virtue thereof is able to control the business
550 of the licensee or applicant.551 (d) "Owner" means a sole member or owner of 100 percent of
552 any equity interest, direct or indirect, in the licensee or
553 applicant.554 (e) "Conviction" means a determination of guilt that is the
555 result of a plea or trial, regardless of whether adjudication is
556 withheld or a plea of nolo contendere is entered.557 (2) PENALTIES:558 (a) 1. Pursuant to s. 120.60(6) and notwithstanding any
559 other provision of law specified in subsection (1), a violation
560 of s. 849.01, s. 849.03, or s. 849.15 is deemed to constitute an
561 immediate and serious danger to the public health, safety, and
562 welfare, and the Department of Business and Professional
563 Regulation, the Florida Gaming Control Commission, or the Office
564 of Financial Regulation, respectively, may summarily suspend the
565 license of any person convicted of a violation of s. 849.01, s.
566 849.03, or 849.15, regardless of adjudication, or any business

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entity if its controlling person or sole owner is convicted of a violation of s. 849.01, s. 849.03 or s. 849.15, regardless of adjudication.

2. In addition to any other penalty provided by law, a licensee or an applicant, may have a license revoked or any application thereof denied or not reissued, if the licensee or applicant, the controlling person of the licensee or applicant, or the sole owner of the licensee or applicant is convicted of a violation of s. 849.01, s. 849.03, or s. 849.15, regardless of adjudication.

3.a. Notwithstanding subparagraph 2., a licensee or applicant may retain, apply for, and be reissued a license if the license-issuing agency specified in subsection (1)(a) finds that such licensee has removed a controlling person from the business.

b. Notwithstanding paragraph (a), any licensee is subject to a fine up to \$75,000 for any conviction of a violation of s. 849.01, s. 849.03, or s. 849.15, regardless of adjudication.

Section 15. Subsections (1) and (2) are added to section 849.03, Florida Statutes, to read:

849.03 Renting house for gambling purposes.—A person who whoever, whether as owner or agent, knowingly rents to another a house, room, booth, tent, shelter or place for the purpose of gaming commits:

(1) For a first offense, a felony of the third degree,

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592 punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084
593 ~~shall be punished in the manner and to the extent mentioned in~~
594 ~~s. 849.01.~~

595 (2) For a second or subsequent offense, a felony of the
596 second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083,
597 or s. 775.084.

598 **Section 16. Section 849.08, Florida Statutes, is amended**
599 **to read:**

600 849.08 Gambling.—

601 (1) As used in this section, the term:

602 (a) "Illegal gambling" means any criminal violation of
603 chapter 546, chapter 550, or chapter 551, or this chapter that
604 occurs at any business, establishment, premises, or other
605 location.

606 (b) "Internet gambling" means to play or engage in any
607 game in which money or other thing of value is awarded based on
608 chance, regardless of any application of skill, that is
609 available on the Internet and accessible on a mobile device,
610 computer terminal, or other similar access device and simulates
611 casino-style gaming, including, but not limited to, slot
612 machines, video poker, and table games.

613 (c) "Internet sports wagering" means to use a platform
614 that is available on the Internet and accessible on a mobile
615 device, computer terminal, or other similar access device to
616 stake, bet, or wager any money or other thing of value upon the

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617 result of any trial or contest of skill, speed, power, or
618 endurance of human or beast. The term does not include fantasy
619 sports contests as defined in s. 849.0932, or any activity
620 conducted pursuant to chapter 550.

621 (2) A person who ~~Whoever~~ plays or engages in Internet
622 gambling or any game at cards, keno, roulette, faro or other
623 game of chance, at any place, by any device whatever, for money
624 or other thing of value, commits ~~shall be guilty of~~ a
625 misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s.
626 775.082 or s. 775.083.

627 (3) A person who plays or engages in Internet sports
628 wagering commits:

629 (a) For a first offense, a misdemeanor of the second
630 degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

631 (b) For a second or subsequent offense, a misdemeanor of
632 the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s.
633 775.083.

634 (4) A person who operates, conducts, or promotes illegal
635 gambling, Internet gambling or Internet sports wagering, or
636 receives in any manner whatsoever any money or other thing of
637 value offered for the purpose of illegal gambling, Internet
638 gambling or Internet sports wagering, or who knowingly becomes
639 the custodian or depositary of any money or other thing of value
640 so offered, or who aids, assists, abets, or influences in any
641 manner in any of such acts commits a felony of the third degree,

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642 punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

643 (5) This section does not apply to participation in, or
644 the conduct of, any gaming activities authorized under s.
645 285.710(13) and conducted pursuant to a gaming compact ratified
646 and approved under s. 285.710(3), or any gaming activities
647 authorized under chapter 550.

648 **Section 17. Paragraph (e) is added to subsection (12) of**
649 **section 849.086, Florida Statutes, to read:**

650 849.086 Cardrooms authorized.—

651 (12) PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES.—

652 (e) A person who, by physical tampering or by use of any
653 object, instrument, or device, whether mechanical, electrical,
654 magnetic, or involving other means, manipulates or attempts to
655 manipulate playing cards for the purpose of affecting the
656 outcome or payoff of a card game in a licensed cardroom, or
657 otherwise manipulates or attempts to manipulate the outcome or
658 payoff of such a card game, commits a felony of the third
659 degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s.
660 775.084.

661 **Section 18. Section 849.0932, Florida Statutes, is created**
662 **to read:**

663 849.0932 Fantasy sports contests; conditions for conduct.—

664 (1) As used in this section, the term "fantasy sports
665 contest" means a contest in which a participant pays an entry
666 fee and manages a fantasy or simulation sports team composed of

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667 athletes from a professional sports organization with the
668 opportunity to win a cash prize. The term includes a simulation
669 sports game.

670 (2) Fantasy sports contests must meet all of the following
671 requirements:

672 (a) Prizes and awards for the winning participants are
673 established and disclosed to contest participants before entry.

674 (b) All winning outcomes reflect the relative knowledge
675 and skill of the fantasy sports contest participant.

676 (c) All winning outcomes are determined predominantly by
677 accumulated statistical results of the performance of more than
678 one individual.

679 (d) A winning outcome may not be based on:

680 1. The score, point spread, or performance of a team or
681 combination of teams.

682 2. The single performance of an individual in a single
683 event or a pari-mutuel event, as the term "pari-mutuel" is
684 defined in s. 550.002 as of January 1, 2026.

685 3. A game of poker or other card game.

686 4. The performance of participants in collegiate, high
687 school, or youth sporting events.

688 (e) Casino graphics, themes, or titles, including, but not
689 limited to, depictions of slot machine-style symbols, cards,
690 dice, craps, roulette, or lotto, are not displayed or depicted.

691 (3) (a) A violation of this section is punishable by a fine

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692 of \$1,000 in addition to civil and criminal penalties.

693 (b) An operator or owner of any website, platform, or
694 application that offers fantasy sports contests in violation of
695 this section is punishable by a fine of up to \$100,000 per
696 violation.

697 (4) The Florida Gaming Control Commission shall
698 investigate and refer violations of this section for
699 prosecution. The Attorney General or state attorney may also
700 institute proceedings to enjoin any person found to be violating
701 this section.

702 (5) (a) A person who willfully and knowingly violates any
703 provision of this section commits a misdemeanor of the first
704 degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

705 (b) An operator or owner of any website, platform, or
706 application that offers fantasy sports contests in violation of
707 this section commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as
708 provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

709 **Section 19. Section 849.11, Florida Statutes, is amended**
710 **to read:**

711 849.11 Plays at games of chance by lot.—

712 (1) A person who Whoever sets up, promotes or plays in
713 person or in any other manner, including, but not limited to, by
714 the use, at least in part, of the Internet, at any game of
715 chance by lot or with dice, cards, numbers, hazards or any other
716 gambling device whatever for, or for the disposal of money or

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717 other thing of value or under the pretext of a sale, gift or
718 delivery thereof, or for any right, share or interest therein,
719 ~~commits shall be guilty of~~ a misdemeanor of the second degree,
720 punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

721 (2) A person who sets up, operates, conducts, promotes, or
722 receives in any manner whatsoever any money or other thing of
723 value offered for the purpose of playing at any game of chance
724 by lot in violation of subsection (1), or who knowingly becomes
725 the custodian or depositary of any money or other thing of value
726 so offered, or who aids, assists, abets, or influences in any
727 manner in any of such acts, commits a felony of the third
728 degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s.
729 775.084.

730 **Section 20. Section 849.13, Florida Statutes, is amended
731 to read:**

732 849.13 ~~Punishment on Second or subsequent offense in~~
733 ~~connection with lotteries conviction.—A person who commits a~~
734 ~~second or subsequent violation of the same Whoever, after being~~
735 ~~convicted of an offense forbidden by law in connection with~~
736 ~~lotteries for which there is no penalty specified for a second~~
737 ~~or subsequent offense, shall have the offense reclassified to an~~
738 ~~offense of the next higher degree, commits the like offense,~~
739 ~~shall be guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable~~
740 ~~as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083. For purposes of~~
741 ~~sentencing under chapter 921, a felony offense that is~~

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742 reclassified under this section is ranked one level above the
743 ranking under s. 921.0022 or s. 921.0023 of the felony offense
744 committed.

745 **Section 21. Section 849.14, Florida Statutes, is amended**
746 **to read:**

747 849.14 Unlawful to bet on result of trial or contest of
748 skill, etc.—A person who:

749 (1) Whoever Stakes, bets, or wagers any money or other
750 thing of value upon the result of any trial or contest of skill,
751 speed or power or endurance of human or beast;

752 (2) ~~or whoever~~ Receives in any manner whatsoever any
753 money or other thing of value staked, bet, or wagered, or
754 offered for the purpose of being staked, bet, or wagered, by or
755 for any other person upon any such result;

756 (3) ~~or whoever~~ Knowingly becomes the custodian or
757 depositary of any money or other thing of value so staked, bet,
758 or wagered upon any such result; ~~or~~

759 (4) whoever Aids, or assists, or abets, or influences in
760 any manner in any of such acts,

761
762 ~~all of which are hereby forbidden,~~ commits a felony of the third
763 degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, ~~or~~ s. 775.083, ~~or~~
764 s. 775.084.

765 **Section 22. Section 849.142, Florida Statutes, is**
766 **repealed.**

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767 **Section 23. Section 849.15, Florida Statutes, is amended**
768 **to read:**

769 849.15 Manufacture, sale, possession, etc., of slot
770 machines or devices prohibited.—

771 (1) As used in this section, the term:

772 (a) "Conviction" means a determination of guilt that is
773 the result of a plea or a trial, regardless of whether
774 adjudication is withheld or a plea of nolo contendere is
775 entered.

776 (b) "Part thereof" means any equipment, subassembly, or
777 other part of a slot machine or device, whether attached to the
778 slot machine or device or separate therefrom, that was used,
779 attempted to be used, or intended to be used in connection with
780 the play or operation of the slot machine or device.

781 (c) "Person of authority" means a person who, at any
782 business, establishment, premises, or other location at which a
783 slot machine or device is offered for play:

784 1. Has actual authority to act on behalf of the business,
785 establishment, premises, or other location; or
786 2. Is an officer, director, or managing member of the
787 business, establishment, premises, or other location.

788 (2) (1) It is unlawful:

789 (a) To manufacture, own, store, keep, possess, sell, rent,
790 lease, let on shares, lend or give away, transport, or expose
791 for sale or lease, or to offer to sell, rent, lease, let on

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shares, lend or give away, or permit the operation of, or for any person to permit to be placed, maintained, or used or kept in any room, space, or building owned, leased or occupied by the person or under the person's management or control, any slot machine or device or any part thereof; or

(b) To make or to permit to be made with any person any agreement with reference to any slot machine or device, pursuant to which the user thereof, as a result of any element of chance or other outcome unpredictable to him or her, may become entitled to receive any money, credit, allowance, or thing of value or additional chance or right to use such machine or device, or to receive any check, slug, token or memorandum entitling the holder to receive any money, credit, allowance or thing of value.

(3) (a) Except as provided in paragraphs (b) and (c), a person who violates subsection (2) commits a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

(b) A person commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084, if he or she violates subsection (2) and:

1. Was a person of authority at the time of the violation;
or
2. Has one prior conviction for a violation of subsection (2).

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817 (c) A person commits a felony of the second degree,
818 punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084,
819 if he or she violates subsection (2) and:

820 1.a. Was a person of authority at the time of the
821 violation; and

822 b. The violation involves five or more slot machines or
823 devices; or

824 2. Has two or more prior convictions for a violation of
825 subsection (2).

826 (4)-(2) Pursuant to section 2 of that chapter of the
827 Congress of the United States entitled "An act to prohibit
828 transportation of gaming devices in interstate and foreign
829 commerce," approved January 2, 1951, being ch. 1194, 64 Stat.
830 1134, and also designated as 15 U.S.C. ss. 1171-1177, the State
831 of Florida, acting by and through the duly elected and qualified
832 members of its Legislature, does hereby in this section, and in
833 accordance with and in compliance with the provisions of section
834 2 of such chapter of Congress, declare and proclaim that any
835 county of the State of Florida within which slot machine gaming
836 is authorized pursuant to chapter 551 is exempt from the
837 provisions of section 2 of that chapter of the Congress of the
838 United States entitled "An act to prohibit transportation of
839 gaming devices in interstate and foreign commerce," designated
840 as 15 U.S.C. ss. 1171-1177, approved January 2, 1951. All
841 shipments of gaming devices, including slot machines, into any

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842 county of this state within which slot machine gaming is
843 authorized pursuant to chapter 551 and the registering,
844 recording, and labeling of which have been duly performed by the
845 manufacturer or distributor thereof in accordance with sections
846 3 and 4 of that chapter of the Congress of the United States
847 entitled "An act to prohibit transportation of gaming devices in
848 interstate and foreign commerce," approved January 2, 1951,
849 being ch. 1194, 64 Stat. 1134, and also designated as 15 U.S.C.
850 ss. 1171-1177, shall be deemed legal shipments thereof into this
851 state provided the destination of such shipments is an eligible
852 facility as defined in s. 551.102 or the facility of a slot
853 machine manufacturer or slot machine distributor as provided in
854 s. 551.109(2)(a).

855 **Section 24. Section 849.155, Florida Statutes, is created
856 to read:**

857 849.155 Trafficking in slot machines, devices, or parts.—A
858 person who knowingly sells, purchases, manufactures, transports,
859 delivers, or brings into this state more than 15 slot machines
860 or devices or any part thereof commits a felony of the first
861 degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s.
862 775.084. For purposes of this section, the term "part thereof"
863 shall have the same meaning as the term "part thereof" set forth
864 in s. 849.15. If the quantity of slot machines or devices or any
865 part thereof involved is:

866 (1) More than 15 slot machines or devices or any part

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867 thereof, but less than 25 slot machines or devices or any part
868 thereof, such person must be fined \$100,000.

869 (2) Twenty-five slot machines or devices or any part
870 thereof or more, but less than 50 slot machines or devices or
871 any part thereof, such person must be fined \$250,000.

872 (3) Fifty slot machines or devices or any part thereof or
873 more, such person must be fined \$500,000.

874
875 Notwithstanding any other law, all fines imposed and collected
876 pursuant to this section must be deposited into the Pari-mutuel
877 Wagering Trust Fund and may be used for the enforcement of
878 chapters 546, 550, 551, and this chapter by the Florida Gaming
879 Control Commission.

880 **Section 25. Section 849.157, Florida Statutes, is created**
881 **to read:**

882 849.157 Making a false or misleading statement regarding
883 the legality of slot machines or devices to facilitate sale.—

884 (1) Except as provided in subsection (2), a person who
885 knowingly and willfully makes a materially false or misleading
886 statement or who knowingly and willfully disseminates false or
887 misleading information regarding the legality of a slot machine
888 or device for the purpose of facilitating the sale or delivery
889 of a slot machine or device for any money or other valuable
890 consideration commits a felony of the third degree, punishable
891 as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

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892 (2) A person who violates subsection (1), when such a
893 violation involves the sale or delivery, or attempted sale or
894 delivery, of five or more slot machines or devices commits a
895 felony of the second degree, punishable as provided in s.
896 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

897 **Section 26. Section 849.181, Florida Statutes, is created**
898 **to read:**

899 849.181 Destruction of Excess Machines.—
900 (1) It is the intent of the Legislature to protect the
901 public health, safety, and welfare of the residents of the state
902 by removing slot machines or devices within the meaning of s.
903 849.16 from public circulation and preventing the warehousing of
904 large quantities of such slot machines or devices.

905 (2) Definitions. As used in this section, the term:
906 (a) "Slot Machine" shall have the same meaning as the term
907 "Slot Machine or device" provided in s. 849.16 and includes the
908 definition of "part thereof" provided in s. 849.15.

909 (b) "Excess slot machines" means more than five slot
910 machines seized during an investigation.

911 (c) "Criminal justice agency" shall have the same meaning
912 as provided in s. 943.045.

913 (3) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a criminal
914 justice agency having custody of excess slot machines may
915 destroy such excess slot machines during the pendency of any
916 related legal proceedings or ongoing criminal investigations,

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917 provided that such criminal justice agency:

918 (a) Retains at least five slot machines seized during an
919 investigation until such time as the slot machines may be
920 destroyed as provided in s. 849.18;

921 (b) Notifies the appropriate U.S. Attorney, Assistant U.S.
922 Attorney, the responsible state or local prosecutor, or a
923 criminal justice agency conducting a criminal investigation,
924 that the excess slot machines will be destroyed after 60 days
925 from the date notice is provided, unless the entity receiving
926 the notice under this paragraph requests the criminal justice
927 agency in writing not to destroy the excess slot machines;

928 (c) Photographs and takes a video recording of each excess
929 slot machine prior to its destruction to serve as evidentiary
930 exhibits for use at trial. Any photograph or video recording
931 shall include a written description of the name of the person
932 such slot machine was taken from, the location where the slot
933 machine was located, the name of the investigating law
934 enforcement officer, the date the photograph or video recording
935 was taken, and the name of the photographer or videographer.
936 Such writing shall be made under oath by the investigating law
937 enforcement officer, and the photograph and video recording
938 shall be authenticated by the photographer's or videographer's
939 signature;

940 (d) Destroys each excess slot machine in the presence of a
941 law enforcement officer, who shall create written sworn

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942 documentation of the date, time, location, and number of excess
943 slot machines destroyed; and

944 (e) Maintains such written sworn documentation created by
945 the witnessing law enforcement officer under paragraph (d) above
946 as required under s. 119.021.

947 (4) In any prosecution for a violation of this chapter, a
948 photograph and video recording of an excess slot machine
949 captured and documented pursuant to paragraph (c) may be deemed
950 competent evidence and may be admissible in the prosecution to
951 the same extent as if such excess slot machine were physically
952 introduced as evidence.

953 (5) If any provision of this section or its application to
954 any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity does
955 not affect other provisions or applications of this section or
956 chapter which can be given effect without the invalid provision
957 or application, and to this end, the provisions of this section
958 are severable.

959 **Section 27.** Section 849.23, Florida Statutes, is repealed.

960 **Section 28.** **Section 849.47, Florida Statutes, is created**
961 **to read:**

962 849.47 Transporting or procuring the transportation of
963 persons to facilitate illegal gambling.—

964 (1) As used in this section, the term "illegal gambling"
965 means any criminal violation of chapter 546, chapter 550, or
966 chapter 551, or this chapter that occurs at any business,

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967 establishment, premises, or other location.

968 (2) Except as provided in subsection (3), a person who
969 knowingly and willfully transports, or procures the
970 transportation of, five or more other persons into or within
971 this state when he or she knows or reasonably should know that
972 such transportation is for the purpose of facilitating illegal
973 gambling commits a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable
974 as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

975 (3) (a) A person who transports, or procures the
976 transportation of, a minor or a person 65 years of age or older
977 in violation of subsection (2) commits a felony of the third
978 degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s.
979 775.084.

980 (b) A person who transports, or procures the
981 transportation of, 12 or more persons in violation of subsection
982 (2) commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided
983 in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

984 (c) A person who commits a second or subsequent violation
985 of subsection (2) within 2 years from the date of the
986 conviction, regardless of adjudication, commits a felony of the
987 third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083,
988 or s. 775.084.

989 **Section 29. Section 849.48, Florida Statutes, is created**
990 **to read:**

991 849.48 Gambling or gaming advertisements; prohibited.—

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992 (1) As used in this section, the term "illegal gambling"
993 means any criminal violation of this chapter, chapter 546,
994 chapter 550, or chapter 551 which occurs at any business,
995 establishment, premises, or other location.

996 (2) (a) Except as otherwise specifically authorized by law,
997 a person may not knowingly and intentionally make, publish,
998 disseminate, circulate, or place before the public, or cause,
999 directly or indirectly, to be made, published, disseminated,
1000 circulated, or placed before the public in this state, in any
1001 manner, whether in person or by the use, at least in part, of
1002 the Internet, any advertisement, circular, bill, poster,
1003 pamphlet, list, schedule, announcement, or notice for the
1004 purpose of promoting or facilitating illegal gambling.

1005 (b) Except as otherwise specifically authorized by law, a
1006 person may not set up any type or plate for any type of
1007 advertisement, circular, bill, poster, pamphlet, list, schedule,
1008 announcement, or notice when he or she knows or reasonably
1009 should know that such material will be used for the purpose of
1010 promoting or facilitating illegal gambling.

1011 (c) A person who violates this subsection commits:

1012 1. For a first offense, a misdemeanor of the first degree,
1013 punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

1014 2. For a second or subsequent offense, a felony of the
1015 third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083,
1016 or s. 775.084.

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1017 (3) This section does not prohibit the printing or
1018 producing of any advertisement, circular, bill, poster,
1019 pamphlet, list, schedule, announcement, or notice to be used for
1020 the purpose of promoting or facilitating gambling conducted in
1021 any other state or nation, outside of this state, where such
1022 gambling is not prohibited.

1023 **Section 30. Section 849.49, Florida Statutes, is created**
1024 **to read:**

1025 849.49 Preemption.— A county, municipality, or other
1026 political subdivision of the state may not enact or enforce any
1027 ordinance or local rule related to gaming, gambling, lotteries,
1028 or any activities described in s. 546.10 or this chapter which
1029 is less restrictive than state law.

1030 **Section 31. Section 849.50, Florida Statutes, is created**
1031 **to read:**

1032 849.50 Limited Gaming Device Surrender Program.—
1033 (1) The Legislature finds that illegal gaming operations
1034 not only undermine public trust, but also expose Floridians to
1035 organized criminal conduct, financial exploitation, and a host
1036 of other social harms. Furthermore, the Legislature finds that
1037 certain persons or entities owning, storing, keeping,
1038 possessing, transporting, permitting the operation of, or
1039 otherwise offering illegal gaming devices for play may have been
1040 misled regarding the legality of the otherwise illegal gaming
1041 devices. Therefore, the Legislature finds that there is a

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1042 compelling state interest in creating a limited period of time
1043 in which otherwise illegal gaming devices may be surrendered
1044 without penalty to ensure such illegal gaming devices do not
1045 remain in circulation.

1046 (2) The commission shall organize, coordinate, and execute
1047 a statewide program in which individuals and organizations can
1048 handover, surrender, or otherwise disclaim any and all interest
1049 in any gaming devices, and convey such gaming devices to the
1050 commission. Such conveyance is irrevocable and final.

1051 (3) Any individual or organization that conveys a gaming
1052 device to the commission as described in this section, that is
1053 not already facing legal charges based on such possession, shall
1054 not face criminal prosecution for possession of such devices
1055 related to any of the devices conveyed to the commission.

1056 (4) The statewide plan described in subsection (2) shall
1057 begin no less than 30 days before October 1, 2026 and end on
1058 October 1, 2026.

1059 (5) The commission shall advertise the program described
1060 in this section no less than 60 days before October 1, 2026.

1061 (6) No person or entity shall have any right, title, or
1062 interest in such property conveyed to the commission pursuant to
1063 this section.

1064 (7) The commission may execute memorandums of
1065 understanding with other criminal justice agencies to facilitate
1066 this section.

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1067 **Section 32. Paragraphs (i), (j), (k), (l), and (m) of**
1068 **subsection (2) of section 903.046, Florida Statutes, are**
1069 **redesignated as paragraphs (j), (k), (l), (m), and (n),**
1070 **respectively, and paragraph (i) is added to that subsection, to**
1071 **read:**

1072 903.046 Purpose of and criteria for bail determination.—

1073 (2) When determining whether to release a defendant on
1074 bail or other conditions, and setting the amount of such what
1075 that bail or other those conditions may be, the court shall
1076 consider:

1077 (i) The amount of currency seized that is connected to or
1078 involved in a violation of chapter 546, chapter 550, chapter
1079 551, or chapter 849.

1080 **Section 33. Paragraphs (a), (c), (e), and (g) of**
1081 **subsection (3) of section 921.0022, Florida Statutes, are**
1082 **amended to read:**

1083 921.0022 Criminal Punishment Code; offense severity
1084 ranking chart.—

1085 (3) OFFENSE SEVERITY RANKING CHART

1086 (a) LEVEL 1

1087 Florida

Felony

Statute

Degree

Description

1088 24.118(3)(a) 3rd Counterfeit or altered state

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lottery ticket.

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104.0616 (2) 3rd Unlawfully distributing, ordering, requesting, collecting, delivering, or possessing vote-by-mail ballots.

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212.054 (2) (b) 3rd Discretionary sales surtax; limitations, administration, and collection.

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212.15 (2) (b) 3rd Failure to remit sales taxes, amount \$1,000 or more but less than \$20,000.

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316.1935 (1) 3rd Fleeing or attempting to elude law enforcement officer.

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319.30 (5) 3rd Sell, exchange, give away certificate of title or identification number plate.

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319.35 (1) (a) 3rd Tamper, adjust, change, etc., an odometer.

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1095	320.26(1) (a)	3rd	Counterfeit, manufacture, or sell registration license plates or validation stickers.
1096	322.212 (1) (a) - (c)	3rd	Possession of forged, stolen, counterfeit, or unlawfully issued driver license; possession of simulated identification.
1097	322.212(4)	3rd	Supply or aid in supplying unauthorized driver license or identification card.
1098	322.212(5) (a)	3rd	False application for driver license or identification card.
1099	414.39(3) (a)	3rd	Fraudulent misappropriation of public assistance funds by employee/official, value more than \$200.
1100	443.071(1)	3rd	False statement or representation to obtain or

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increase reemployment
assistance benefits.

1101 509.151(1) 3rd Defraud an innkeeper, food or
lodging value \$1,000 or more.

1102 517.302(1) 3rd Violation of the Florida
Securities and Investor
Protection Act.

1103 713.69 3rd Tenant removes property upon
which lien has accrued, value
\$1,000 or more.

1104 812.014(3) (c) 3rd Petit theft (3rd conviction);
theft of any property not
specified in subsection (2).

1105 815.04(4) (a) 3rd Offense against intellectual
property (i.e., computer
programs, data).

1106 817.52(2) 3rd Hiring with intent to defraud,
motor vehicle services.

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817.569 (2) 3rd Use of public record or public records information or providing false information to facilitate commission of a felony.

1108 826.01 3rd Bigamy.

1109 828.122 (3) 3rd Fighting or baiting animals.

1110 831.04 (1) 3rd Any erasure, alteration, etc., of any replacement deed, map, plat, or other document listed in s. 92.28.

1111 831.31 (1) (a) 3rd Sell, deliver, or possess counterfeit controlled substances, all but s. 893.03 (5) drugs.

1112 832.041 (1) 3rd Stopping payment with intent to defraud \$150 or more.

1113 832.05 (2) (b) & (4) (c) 3rd Knowing, making, issuing worthless checks \$150 or more

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or obtaining property in return
for worthless check \$150 or
more.

1114	838.15(2)	3rd	Commercial bribe receiving.
1115	838.16	3rd	Commercial bribery.
1116	843.18	3rd	Fleeing by boat to elude a law enforcement officer.
1117	847.011(1) (a)	3rd	Sell, distribute, etc., obscene, lewd, etc., material (2nd conviction).
1118	849.09(1) (a)-(d)	3rd	Lottery; set up, promote, etc., or assist therein, conduct or advertise drawing for prizes, or dispose of property or money by means of lottery.
1119	849.23	3rd	Gambling-related machines; "common offender" as to property rights.
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1121	849.25(2)	3rd	Engaging in bookmaking.
1122	860.08	3rd	Interfere with a railroad signal.
1123	860.13(1) (a)	3rd	Operate aircraft while under the influence.
1124	893.13(2) (a)2.	3rd	Purchase of cannabis.
1125	893.13(6) (a)	3rd	Possession of cannabis (more than 20 grams).
1126	934.03(1) (a)	3rd	Intercepts, or procures any other person to intercept, any wire or oral communication.
1127	(c) LEVEL 3		
1128	Florida	Felony	
1129	Statute	Degree	Description
	119.10(2) (b)	3rd	Unlawful use of confidential information from police reports.

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1130	316.066 (3) (b) - (d)	3rd	Unlawfully obtaining or using confidential crash reports.
1131	316.193 (2) (b)	3rd	Felony DUI, 3rd conviction.
1132	316.1935 (2)	3rd	Fleeing or attempting to elude law enforcement officer in patrol vehicle with siren and lights activated.
1133	319.30 (4)	3rd	Possession by junkyard of motor vehicle with identification number plate removed.
1134	319.33 (1) (a)	3rd	Alter or forge any certificate of title to a motor vehicle or mobile home.
1135	319.33 (1) (c)	3rd	Procure or pass title on stolen vehicle.
1136	319.33 (4)	3rd	With intent to defraud, possess, sell, etc., a blank, forged, or unlawfully obtained

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title or registration.

1137	327.35(2)(b)	3rd	Felony BUI.
1138	328.05(2)	3rd	Possess, sell, or counterfeit fictitious, stolen, or fraudulent titles or bills of sale of vessels.
1139	328.07(4)	3rd	Manufacture, exchange, or possess vessel with counterfeit or wrong ID number.
1140	376.302(5)	3rd	Fraud related to reimbursement for cleanup expenses under the Inland Protection Trust Fund.
1141	379.2431 (1)(e)5.	3rd	Taking, disturbing, mutilating, destroying, causing to be destroyed, transferring, selling, offering to sell, molesting, or harassing marine turtles, marine turtle eggs, or marine turtle nests in violation of the Marine Turtle

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Protection Act.

1142	379.2431 (1) (e) 6.	3rd	Possessing any marine turtle species or hatchling, or parts thereof, or the nest of any marine turtle species described in the Marine Turtle Protection Act.
1143	379.2431 (1) (e) 7.	3rd	Soliciting to commit or conspiring to commit a violation of the Marine Turtle Protection Act.
1144	400.9935 (4) (a) or (b)	3rd	Operating a clinic, or offering services requiring licensure, without a license.
1145	400.9935 (4) (e)	3rd	Filing a false license application or other required information or failing to report information.
1146	440.1051 (3)	3rd	False report of workers' compensation fraud or

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retaliation for making such a report.

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501.001(2)(b) 2nd Tampering with a consumer product or the container using materially false/misleading information.

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624.401(4)(a) 3rd Transacting insurance without a certificate of authority.

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624.401(4)(b)1. 3rd Transacting insurance without a certificate of authority; premium collected less than \$20,000.

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626.902(1)(a) & (b) 3rd Representing an unauthorized insurer.

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697.08 3rd Equity skimming.

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790.15(3) 3rd Person directs another to discharge firearm from a vehicle.

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	794.053	3rd	Lewd or lascivious written solicitation of a person 16 or 17 years of age by a person 24 years of age or older.
1154	800.045 (3)	3rd	Possess, control, or intentionally view any photographic material, motion picture, etc., which includes a lewd or lascivious image.
1155	806.10 (1)	3rd	Maliciously injure, destroy, or interfere with vehicles or equipment used in firefighting.
1156	806.10 (2)	3rd	Interferes with or assaults firefighter in performance of duty.
1157	810.09 (2) (b)	3rd	Trespass on property other than structure or conveyance armed with firearm or dangerous weapon.
1158	810.145 (2) (c)	3rd	Digital voyeurism; 19 years of

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age or older.

1159	812.014 (2) (c) 2.	3rd	Grand theft; \$5,000 or more but less than \$10,000.
1160	812.0145 (2) (c)	3rd	Theft from person 65 years of age or older; \$300 or more but less than \$10,000.
1161	812.015 (8) (b)	3rd	Retail theft with intent to sell; conspires with others.
1162	812.081 (2)	3rd	Theft of a trade secret.
1163	815.04 (4) (b)	2nd	Computer offense devised to defraud or obtain property.
1164	817.034 (4) (a) 3.	3rd	Engages in scheme to defraud (Florida Communications Fraud Act), property valued at less than \$20,000.
1165	817.233	3rd	Burning to defraud insurer.
1166	817.234	3rd	Unlawful solicitation of

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(8) (b) & (c) persons involved in motor vehicle accidents.

1167 817.234(11)(a) 3rd Insurance fraud; property value less than \$20,000.

1168 817.236 3rd Filing a false motor vehicle insurance application.

1169 817.2361 3rd Creating, marketing, or presenting a false or fraudulent motor vehicle insurance card.

1170 817.413(2) 3rd Sale of used goods of \$1,000 or more as new.

1171 817.49(2)(b)1. 3rd Willful making of a false report of a crime causing great bodily harm, permanent disfigurement, or permanent disability.

1172 831.28(2)(a) 3rd Counterfeiting a payment instrument with intent to

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			defraud or possessing a counterfeit payment instrument with intent to defraud.
1173			
	831.29	2nd	Possession of instruments for counterfeiting driver licenses or identification cards.
1174			
	836.13(2)	3rd	Generating an altered sexual depiction of an identifiable person without consent.
1175			
	836.13(4)	3rd	Promoting, or possessing with intent to promote, an altered sexual depiction of an identifiable person without consent.
1176			
	<u>838.12(3)</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>Betting on predetermined or</u> <u>prearranged professional or</u> <u>amateur game, contest, match,</u> <u>race, or sport.</u>
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	838.021(3) (b)	3rd	Threatens unlawful harm to public servant.

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1178	847.01385	3rd	Harmful communication to a minor.
1179	<u>849.01</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>Keeping gambling house.</u>
1180	<u>849.02(2)</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>Agents or employees of keeper of gambling house.</u>
1181	<u>849.03(1)</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>Renting house for gambling purposes.</u>
1182	<u>849.086(12) (e)</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>Tampering with cards or card games.</u>
1183	<u>849.09(1) (a) - (d)</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>Lottery; set up, promote, etc., or assist therein, conduct or advertise drawing for prizes, or dispose of property or money by means of lottery.</u>
1184	<u>849.09(1) (e) - (k)</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>Conducting unlawful lottery; second or subsequent offense.</u>
1185	<u>849.11(2)</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>Offenses relating to games of</u>

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chance.

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849.14 3rd Betting on result of trial or
contest of skill, etc.

1187

849.15(3)(b) 3rd Manufacture, sale, or
possession of slot machine; by
person of authority or with
prior conviction.

1188

849.157(1) 3rd False or misleading statement
to facilitate sale of slot
machines or devices.

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849.25(2) 3rd Engaging in bookmaking.

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860.15(3) 3rd Overcharging for repairs and parts.

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1193	870.01(2)	3rd	Riot.
1194	870.01(4)	3rd	Inciting a riot.
1195	893.13(1)(a)2.	3rd	Sell, manufacture, or deliver cannabis (or other s.) 893.03(1)(c), (2)(c)1., (2)(c)2., (2)(c)3., (2)(c)6., (2)(c)7., (2)(c)8., (2)(c)9., (2)(c)10., (3), or (4) drugs.
1196	893.13(1)(d)2.	2nd	Sell, manufacture, or deliver s. 893.03(1)(c), (2)(c)1., (2)(c)2., (2)(c)3., (2)(c)6., (2)(c)7., (2)(c)8., (2)(c)9., (2)(c)10., (3), or (4) drugs within 1,000 feet of university.
	893.13(1)(f)2.	2nd	Sell, manufacture, or deliver s. 893.03(1)(c), (2)(c)1., (2)(c)2., (2)(c)3., (2)(c)6., (2)(c)7., (2)(c)8., (2)(c)9., (2)(c)10., (3), or (4) drugs within 1,000 feet of public

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housing facility.

1197	893.13(4) (c)	3rd	Use or hire of minor; deliver to minor other controlled substances.
1198	893.13(6) (a)	3rd	Possession of any controlled substance other than felony possession of cannabis.
1199	893.13(7) (a) 8.	3rd	Withhold information from practitioner regarding previous receipt of or prescription for a controlled substance.
1200	893.13(7) (a) 9.	3rd	Obtain or attempt to obtain controlled substance by fraud, forgery, misrepresentation, etc.
1201	893.13(7) (a) 10.	3rd	Affix false or forged label to package of controlled substance.
1202	893.13(7) (a) 11.	3rd	Furnish false or fraudulent

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material information on any document or record required by chapter 893.

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893.13(8)(a)1. 3rd Knowingly assist a patient, other person, or owner of an animal in obtaining a controlled substance through deceptive, untrue, or fraudulent representations in or related to the practitioner's practice.

1204

893.13(8)(a)2. 3rd Employ a trick or scheme in the practitioner's practice to assist a patient, other person, or owner of an animal in obtaining a controlled substance.

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893.13(8)(a)3. 3rd Knowingly write a prescription for a controlled substance for a fictitious person.

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893.13(8)(a)4. 3rd Write a prescription for a

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controlled substance for a patient, other person, or an animal if the sole purpose of writing the prescription is a monetary benefit for the practitioner.

1207

918.13(1) 3rd Tampering with or fabricating physical evidence.

1208

944.47 3rd Introduce contraband to correctional facility.

1209

(1) (a)1. & 2. 2nd Possess contraband while upon the grounds of a correctional institution.

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985.721 3rd Escapes from a juvenile facility (secure detention or residential commitment facility).

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(e) LEVEL 5

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1214	316.027 (2) (a)	3rd	Accidents involving personal injuries other than serious bodily injury, failure to stop; leaving scene.
1215	316.1935 (3) (a)	2nd	Driving at high speed or with wanton disregard for safety while fleeing or attempting to elude law enforcement officer who is in a patrol vehicle with siren and lights activated.
1216	316.80 (2)	2nd	Unlawful conveyance of fuel; obtaining fuel fraudulently.
1217	322.34 (6)	3rd	Careless operation of motor vehicle with suspended license, resulting in death or serious bodily injury.
1218	327.30 (5) (a) 2.	3rd	Vessel accidents involving personal injuries other than serious bodily injury; leaving

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scene.

1219

365.172 2nd Misuse of emergency
(14) (b) 2. communications system resulting
 in death.

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379.365 (2) (c) 1. 3rd Violation of rules relating to:
 willful molestation of stone
 crab traps, lines, or buoys;
 illegal bartering, trading, or
 sale, conspiring or aiding in
 such barter, trade, or sale, or
 supplying, agreeing to supply,
 aiding in supplying, or giving
 away stone crab trap tags or
 certificates; making, altering,
 forging, counterfeiting, or
 reproducing stone crab trap
 tags; possession of forged,
 counterfeit, or imitation stone
 crab trap tags; and engaging in
 the commercial harvest of stone
 crabs while license is
 suspended or revoked.

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	379.367(4)	3rd	Willful molestation of a commercial harvester's spiny lobster trap, line, or buoy.
1222	379.407(5)(b)3.	3rd	Possession of 100 or more undersized spiny lobsters.
1223	381.0041(11)(b)	3rd	Donate blood, plasma, or organs knowing HIV positive.
1224	440.10(1)(g)	2nd	Failure to obtain workers' compensation coverage.
1225	440.105(5)	2nd	Unlawful solicitation for the purpose of making workers' compensation claims.
1226	440.381(2)	3rd	Submission of false, misleading, or incomplete information with the purpose of avoiding or reducing workers' compensation premiums.
1227	624.401(4)(b)2.	2nd	Transacting insurance without a certificate or authority;

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1228			premium collected \$20,000 or more but less than \$100,000.
1229	626.902(1)(c)	2nd	Representing an unauthorized insurer; repeat offender.
1230	790.01(3)	3rd	Unlawful carrying of a concealed firearm.
1231	790.162	2nd	Threat to throw or discharge destructive device.
1232	790.163(1)	2nd	False report of bomb, explosive, weapon of mass destruction, or use of firearms in violent manner.
1233	790.221(1)	2nd	Possession of short-barreled shotgun or machine gun.
1234	790.23	2nd	Felons in possession of firearms, ammunition, or electronic weapons or devices.
	796.05(1)	2nd	Live on earnings of a

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1235			prostitute; 1st offense.
	800.04(6)(c)	3rd	Lewd or lascivious conduct; offender less than 18 years of age.
1236	800.04(7)(b)	2nd	Lewd or lascivious exhibition; offender 18 years of age or older.
1237	806.111(1)	3rd	Possess, manufacture, or dispense fire bomb with intent to damage any structure or property.
1238	810.145(4)	3rd	Commercial digital voyeurism dissemination.
1239	810.145(7)(a)	2nd	Digital voyeurism; 2nd or subsequent offense.
1240	810.145(8)(a)	2nd	Digital voyeurism; certain minor victims.
1241	812.014(2)(d)3.	2nd	Grand theft, 2nd degree; theft

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			from 20 or more dwellings or their unenclosed curtilage, or any combination.
1242	812.0145 (2) (b)	2nd	Theft from person 65 years of age or older; \$10,000 or more but less than \$50,000.
1243	812.015 (8) (a) & (c)- (e)	3rd	Retail theft; property stolen is valued at \$750 or more and one or more specified acts.
1244	812.015 (8) (f)	3rd	Retail theft; multiple thefts within specified period.
1245	812.015 (8) (g)	3rd	Retail theft; committed with specified number of other persons.
1246	812.019 (1)	2nd	Stolen property; dealing in or trafficking in.
1247	812.081 (3)	2nd	Trafficking in trade secrets.
1248	812.131 (2) (b)	3rd	Robbery by sudden snatching.

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1249	812.16(2)	3rd	Owning, operating, or conducting a chop shop.
1250	817.034(4)(a)2.	2nd	Communications fraud, value \$20,000 to \$50,000.
1251	817.234(11)(b)	2nd	Insurance fraud; property value \$20,000 or more but less than \$100,000.
1252	817.2341(1), (2)(a) & (3)(a)	3rd	Filing false financial statements, making false entries of material fact or false statements regarding property values relating to the solvency of an insuring entity.
1253	817.568(2)(b)	2nd	Fraudulent use of personal identification information; value of benefit, services received, payment avoided, or amount of injury or fraud, \$5,000 or more or use of personal identification

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information of 10 or more persons.

1254

817.611 (2) (a) 2nd Traffic in or possess 5 to 14 counterfeit credit cards or related documents.

1255

817.625 (2) (b) 2nd Second or subsequent fraudulent use of scanning device, skimming device, or reencoder.

1256

825.1025 (4) 3rd Lewd or lascivious exhibition in the presence of an elderly person or disabled adult.

1257

828.12 (2) 3rd Tortures any animal with intent to inflict intense pain, serious physical injury, or death.

1258

836.14 (4) 2nd Person who willfully promotes for financial gain a sexually explicit image of an identifiable person without consent.

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1259	839.13(2) (b)	2nd	Falsifying records of an individual in the care and custody of a state agency involving great bodily harm or death.
1260	843.01(1)	3rd	Resist officer with violence to person; resist arrest with violence.
1261	847.0135(5) (b)	2nd	Lewd or lascivious exhibition using computer; offender 18 years or older.
1262	847.0137 (2) & (3)	3rd	Transmission of pornography by electronic device or equipment.
1263	847.0138 (2) & (3)	3rd	Transmission of material harmful to minors to a minor by electronic device or equipment.
1264	<u>849.02(3)</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>Agents or employees of keeper of gambling house, third or subsequent offense.</u>

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1265	<u>849.03(2)</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>Renting house for gambling purposes; second or subsequent offense.</u>
1266	<u>849.15(3) (c)</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>Manufacture, sale, or possession of slot machine; by person of authority of five or more machines or two or more prior convictions.</u>
1267	<u>849.157(2)</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>False or misleading statement to facilitate sale of slot machines or devices; five or more machines.</u>
1268	<u>849.25(3)</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>Bookmaking; second or subsequent offense.</u>
1269	<u>874.05(1) (b)</u>	<u>2nd</u>	Encouraging or recruiting another to join a criminal gang; second or subsequent offense.
1270	<u>874.05(2) (a)</u>	<u>2nd</u>	Encouraging or recruiting

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person under 13 years of age to join a criminal gang.

1271

893.13(1)(a)1. 2nd Sell, manufacture, or deliver cocaine (or other s. 893.03(1)(a), (1)(b), (1)(d), (2)(a), (2)(b), or (2)(c)5. drugs).

1272

893.13(1)(c)2. 2nd Sell, manufacture, or deliver cannabis (or other s. 893.03(1)(c), (2)(c)1., (2)(c)2., (2)(c)3., (2)(c)6., (2)(c)7., (2)(c)8., (2)(c)9., (2)(c)10., (3), or (4) drugs) within 1,000 feet of a child care facility, school, or state, county, or municipal park or publicly owned recreational facility or community center.

1273

893.13(1)(d)1. 1st Sell, manufacture, or deliver cocaine (or other s. 893.03(1)(a), (1)(b), (1)(d),

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(2) (a), (2) (b), or (2) (c) 5.
drugs) within 1,000 feet of
university.

1274

893.13(1)(e)2. 2nd Sell, manufacture, or deliver cannabis or other drug prohibited under s.
893.03(1)(c), (2)(c)1.,
(2)(c)2., (2)(c)3., (2)(c)6.,
(2)(c)7., (2)(c)8., (2)(c)9.,
(2)(c)10., (3), or (4) within 1,000 feet of property used for religious services or a specified business site.

1275

893.13(1)(f)1. 1st Sell, manufacture, or deliver cocaine (or other s.
893.03(1)(a), (1)(b), (1)(d),
or (2)(a), (2)(b), or (2)(c)5.
drugs) within 1,000 feet of public housing facility.

1276

893.13(4)(b) 2nd Use or hire of minor; deliver to minor other controlled substance.

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1277	893.1351(1)	3rd	Ownership, lease, or rental for trafficking in or manufacturing of controlled substance.
1278	(g) LEVEL 7		
1279	Florida	Felony	
1280	Statute	Degree	Description
1281	316.027(2)(c)	1st	Accident involving death, failure to stop; leaving scene.
1282	316.193(3)(c)2.	3rd	DUI resulting in serious bodily injury.
1283	316.1935(3)(b)	1st	Causing serious bodily injury or death to another person; driving at high speed or with wanton disregard for safety while fleeing or attempting to elude law enforcement officer who is in a patrol vehicle with siren and lights activated.
1284			

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327.35(3)(a)3.b. 3rd Vessel BUI resulting in serious bodily injury.

1285 402.319(2) 2nd Misrepresentation and negligence or intentional act resulting in great bodily harm, permanent disfigurement, permanent disability, or death.

1286 409.920 3rd Medicaid provider fraud; (2)(b)1.a. \$10,000 or less.

1287 409.920 2nd Medicaid provider fraud; more (2)(b)1.b. than \$10,000, but less than \$50,000.

1288 456.065(2) 3rd Practicing a health care profession without a license.

1289 456.065(2) 2nd Practicing a health care profession without a license which results in serious bodily injury.

1290 458.327(1) 3rd Practicing medicine without a

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license.

1291	459.013(1)	3rd	Practicing osteopathic medicine without a license.
1292	460.411(1)	3rd	Practicing chiropractic medicine without a license.
1293	461.012(1)	3rd	Practicing podiatric medicine without a license.
1294	462.17	3rd	Practicing naturopathy without a license.
1295	463.015(1)	3rd	Practicing optometry without a license.
1296	464.016(1)	3rd	Practicing nursing without a license.
1297	465.015(2)	3rd	Practicing pharmacy without a license.
1298	466.026(1)	3rd	Practicing dentistry or dental hygiene without a license.

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1299	467.201	3rd	Practicing midwifery without a license.
1300	468.366	3rd	Delivering respiratory care services without a license.
1301	483.828(1)	3rd	Practicing as clinical laboratory personnel without a license.
1302	483.901(7)	3rd	Practicing medical physics without a license.
1303	484.013(1) (c)	3rd	Preparing or dispensing optical devices without a prescription.
1304	484.053	3rd	Dispensing hearing aids without a license.
1305	494.0018(2)	1st	Conviction of any violation of chapter 494 in which the total money and property unlawfully obtained exceeded \$50,000 and there were five or more

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victims.

1306

560.123 (8) (b)1. 3rd Failure to report currency or payment instruments exceeding \$300 but less than \$20,000 by a money services business.

1307

560.125 (5) (a) 3rd Money services business by unauthorized person, currency or payment instruments exceeding \$300 but less than \$20,000.

1308

655.50 (10) (b)1. 3rd Failure to report financial transactions exceeding \$300 but less than \$20,000 by financial institution.

1309

775.21(10) (a) 3rd Sexual predator; failure to register; failure to renew driver license or identification card; other registration violations.

1310

775.21(10) (b) 3rd Sexual predator working where

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children regularly congregate.

1311	775.21(10) (g)	3rd	Failure to report or providing false information about a sexual predator; harbor or conceal a sexual predator.
1312	782.051(3)	2nd	Attempted felony murder of a person by a person other than the perpetrator or the perpetrator of an attempted felony.
1313	782.07(1)	2nd	Killing of a human being by the act, procurement, or culpable negligence of another (manslaughter).
1314	782.071	2nd	Killing of a human being or unborn child by the operation of a motor vehicle in a reckless manner (vehicular homicide).
1315	782.072	2nd	Killing of a human being by the

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operation of a vessel in a
reckless manner (vessel
homicide).

1316

784.045(1)(a)1. 2nd Aggravated battery;
intentionally causing great
bodily harm or disfigurement.

1317

784.045(1)(a)2. 2nd Aggravated battery; using
deadly weapon.

1318

784.045(1)(b) 2nd Aggravated battery; perpetrator
aware victim pregnant.

1319

784.048(4) 3rd Aggravated stalking; violation
of injunction or court order.

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784.048(7) 3rd Aggravated stalking; violation
of court order.

1321

784.07(2)(d) 1st Aggravated battery on law
enforcement officer.

1322

784.074(1)(a) 1st Aggravated battery on sexually
violent predators facility

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staff.

1323	784.08 (2) (a)	1st	Aggravated battery on a person 65 years of age or older.
1324	784.081 (1)	1st	Aggravated battery on specified official or employee.
1325	784.082 (1)	1st	Aggravated battery by detained person on visitor or other detainee.
1326	784.083 (1)	1st	Aggravated battery on code inspector.
1327	787.025 (2) (b)	2nd	Luring or enticing a child; second or subsequent offense.
1328	787.025 (2) (c)	2nd	Luring or enticing a child with a specified prior conviction.
1329	787.06 (3) (a) 2.	1st	Human trafficking using coercion for labor and services of an adult.
1330			

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	787.06(3)(e)2.	1st	Human trafficking using coercion for labor and services by the transfer or transport of an adult from outside Florida to within the state.
1331	790.07(4)	1st	Specified weapons violation subsequent to previous conviction of s. 790.07(1) or (2).
1332	790.16(1)	1st	Discharge of a machine gun under specified circumstances.
1333	790.165(2)	2nd	Manufacture, sell, possess, or deliver hoax bomb.
1334	790.165(3)	2nd	Possessing, displaying, or threatening to use any hoax bomb while committing or attempting to commit a felony.
1335	790.166(3)	2nd	Possessing, selling, using, or attempting to use a hoax weapon of mass destruction.

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790.166(4) 2nd Possessing, displaying, or threatening to use a hoax weapon of mass destruction while committing or attempting to commit a felony.

1337

790.23 1st, PBL Possession of a firearm by a person who qualifies for the penalty enhancements provided for in s. 874.04.

1338

794.08(4) 3rd Female genital mutilation; consent by a parent, guardian, or a person in custodial authority to a victim younger than 18 years of age.

1339

796.05(1) 1st Live on earnings of a prostitute; 2nd offense.

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796.05(1) 1st Live on earnings of a prostitute; 3rd and subsequent offense.

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	800.04(5)(c)1.	2nd	Lewd or lascivious molestation; victim younger than 12 years of age; offender younger than 18 years of age.
1342	800.04(5)(c)2.	2nd	Lewd or lascivious molestation; victim 12 years of age or older but younger than 16 years of age; offender 18 years of age or older.
1343	800.04(5)(e)	1st	Lewd or lascivious molestation; victim 12 years of age or older but younger than 16 years; offender 18 years or older; prior conviction for specified sex offense.
1344	806.01(2)	2nd	Maliciously damage structure by fire or explosive.
1345	810.02(3)(a)	2nd	Burglary of occupied dwelling; unarmed; no assault or battery.
1346	810.02(3)(b)	2nd	Burglary of unoccupied

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dwelling; unarmed; no assault or battery.

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810.02(3)(d) 2nd Burglary of occupied conveyance; unarmed; no assault or battery.

1348

810.02(3)(e) 2nd Burglary of authorized emergency vehicle.

1349

812.014(2)(a)1. 1st Property stolen, valued at \$100,000 or more or a semitrailer deployed by a law enforcement officer; property stolen while causing other property damage; 1st degree grand theft.

1350

812.014(2)(b)2. 2nd Property stolen, cargo valued at less than \$50,000, grand theft in 2nd degree.

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812.014(2)(b)3. 2nd Property stolen, emergency medical equipment; 2nd degree grand theft.

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1352	812.014 (2) (b) 4.	2nd	Property stolen, law enforcement equipment from authorized emergency vehicle.
1353	812.014 (2) (g)	2nd	Grand theft; second degree; firearm with previous conviction of s.
			812.014 (2) (c) 5.
1354	812.0145 (2) (a)	1st	Theft from person 65 years of age or older; \$50,000 or more.
1355	812.019 (2)	1st	Stolen property; initiates, organizes, plans, etc., the theft of property and traffics in stolen property.
1356	812.131 (2) (a)	2nd	Robbery by sudden snatching.
1357	812.133 (2) (b)	1st	Carjacking; no firearm, deadly weapon, or other weapon.
1358	817.034 (4) (a) 1.	1st	Communications fraud, value greater than \$50,000.

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1359	817.234 (8) (a)	2nd	Solicitation of motor vehicle accident victims with intent to defraud.
1360	817.234 (9)	2nd	Organizing, planning, or participating in an intentional motor vehicle collision.
1361	817.234 (11) (c)	1st	Insurance fraud; property value \$100,000 or more.
1362	817.2341 (2) (b) & (3) (b)	1st	Making false entries of material fact or false statements regarding property values relating to the solvency of an insuring entity which are a significant cause of the insolvency of that entity.
1363	817.418 (2) (a)	3rd	Offering for sale or advertising personal protective equipment with intent to defraud.
1364			

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1365 817.504(1) (a) 3rd Offering or advertising a vaccine with intent to defraud.

1366 817.535(2) (a) 3rd Filing false lien or other unauthorized document.

1367 817.611(2) (b) 2nd Traffic in or possess 15 to 49 counterfeit credit cards or related documents.

1368 825.102(3) (b) 2nd Neglecting an elderly person or disabled adult causing great bodily harm, disability, or disfigurement.

1369 825.103(3) (b) 2nd Exploiting an elderly person or disabled adult and property is valued at \$10,000 or more, but less than \$50,000.

1370 827.03(2) (b) 2nd Neglect of a child causing great bodily harm, disability, or disfigurement.

827.04(3) 3rd Impregnation of a child under

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			16 years of age by person 21 years of age or older.
1371	827.071(2) & (3)	2nd	Use or induce a child in a sexual performance, or promote or direct such performance.
1372	827.071(4)	2nd	Possess with intent to promote any photographic material, motion picture, etc., which includes child pornography.
1373	837.05(2)	3rd	Giving false information about alleged capital felony to a law enforcement officer.
1374	838.015	2nd	Bribery.
1375	838.016	2nd	Unlawful compensation or reward for official behavior.
1376	838.021(3) (a)	2nd	Unlawful harm to a public servant.
1377	838.22	2nd	Bid tampering.

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1378	843.0855 (2)	3rd	Impersonation of a public officer or employee.
1379	843.0855 (3)	3rd	Unlawful simulation of legal process.
1380	843.0855 (4)	3rd	Intimidation of a public officer or employee.
1381	847.0135 (3)	3rd	Solicitation of a child, via a computer service, to commit an unlawful sex act.
1382	847.0135 (4)	2nd	Traveling to meet a minor to commit an unlawful sex act.
1383	<u>849.155</u>	<u>1st</u>	<u>Trafficking in slot machines or devices or any part thereof.</u>
1384	872.06	2nd	Abuse of a dead human body.
1385	874.05 (2) (b)	1st	Encouraging or recruiting person under 13 to join a criminal gang; second or

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subsequent offense.

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874.10 1st, PBL Knowingly initiates, organizes, plans, finances, directs, manages, or supervises criminal gang-related activity.

1387

893.13(1)(c)1. 1st Sell, manufacture, or deliver cocaine (or other drug prohibited under s. 893.03(1)(a), (1)(b), (1)(d), (2)(a), (2)(b), or (2)(c)5.) within 1,000 feet of a child care facility, school, or state, county, or municipal park or publicly owned recreational facility or community center.

1388

893.13(1)(e)1. 1st Sell, manufacture, or deliver cocaine or other drug prohibited under s. 893.03(1)(a), (1)(b), (1)(d), (2)(a), (2)(b), or (2)(c)5., within 1,000 feet of property

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			used for religious services or a specified business site.
1389			
	893.13(4) (a)	1st	Use or hire of minor; deliver to minor other controlled substance.
1390			
	893.135(1) (a)1.	1st	Trafficking in cannabis, more than 25 lbs., less than 2,000 lbs.
1391			
	893.135 (1) (b)1.a.	1st	Trafficking in cocaine, more than 28 grams, less than 200 grams.
1392			
	893.135 (1) (c)1.a.	1st	Trafficking in illegal drugs, more than 4 grams, less than 14 grams.
1393			
	893.135 (1) (c)2.a.	1st	Trafficking in hydrocodone, 28 grams or more, less than 50 grams.
1394			
	893.135 (1) (c)2.b.	1st	Trafficking in hydrocodone, 50 grams or more, less than 100

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			grams.
1395			
	893.135	1st	Trafficking in oxycodone, 7
	(1) (c) 3.a.		grams or more, less than 14
			grams.
1396			
	893.135	1st	Trafficking in oxycodone, 14
	(1) (c) 3.b.		grams or more, less than 25
			grams.
1397			
	893.135	1st	Trafficking in fentanyl, 4
	(1) (c) 4.b. (I)		grams or more, less than 14
			grams.
1398			
	893.135	1st	Trafficking in phencyclidine,
	(1) (d) 1.a.		28 grams or more, less than 200
			grams.
1399			
	893.135 (1) (e) 1.	1st	Trafficking in methaqualone,
			200 grams or more, less than 5
			kilograms.
1400			
	893.135 (1) (f) 1.	1st	Trafficking in amphetamine, 14
			grams or more, less than 28
			grams.

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1401	893.135 (1) (g)1.a.	1st	Trafficking in flunitrazepam, 4 grams or more, less than 14 grams.
1402	893.135 (1) (h)1.a.	1st	Trafficking in gamma-hydroxybutyric acid (GHB), 1 kilogram or more, less than 5 kilograms.
1403	893.135 (1) (j)1.a.	1st	Trafficking in 1,4-Butanediol, 1 kilogram or more, less than 5 kilograms.
1404	893.135 (1) (k)2.a.	1st	Trafficking in Phenethylamines, 10 grams or more, less than 200 grams.
1405	893.135 (1) (m)2.a.	1st	Trafficking in synthetic cannabinoids, 280 grams or more, less than 500 grams.
1406	893.135 (1) (m)2.b.	1st	Trafficking in synthetic cannabinoids, 500 grams or more, less than 1,000 grams.

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1407	893.135 (1) (n)2.a.	1st	Trafficking in n-benzyl phenethylamines, 14 grams or more, less than 100 grams.
1408	893.1351 (2)	2nd	Possession of place for trafficking in or manufacturing of controlled substance.
1409	896.101 (5) (a)	3rd	Money laundering, financial transactions exceeding \$300 but less than \$20,000.
1410	896.104 (4) (a)1.	3rd	Structuring transactions to evade reporting or registration requirements, financial transactions exceeding \$300 but less than \$20,000.
1411	943.0435 (4) (c)	2nd	Sexual offender vacating permanent residence; failure to comply with reporting requirements.
1412	943.0435 (8)	2nd	Sexual offender; remains in

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state after indicating intent to leave; failure to comply with reporting requirements.

1413

943.0435(9)(a) 3rd Sexual offender; failure to comply with reporting requirements.

1414

943.0435(13) 3rd Failure to report or providing false information about a sexual offender; harbor or conceal a sexual offender.

1415

943.0435(14) 3rd Sexual offender; failure to report and reregister; failure to respond to address verification; providing false registration information.

1416

944.607(9) 3rd Sexual offender; failure to comply with reporting requirements.

1417

944.607(10)(a) 3rd Sexual offender; failure to submit to the taking of a

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digitized photograph.

1418

944.607(12) 3rd Failure to report or providing false information about a sexual offender; harbor or conceal a sexual offender.

1419

944.607(13) 3rd Sexual offender; failure to report and reregister; failure to respond to address verification; providing false registration information.

1420

985.4815(10) 3rd Sexual offender; failure to submit to the taking of a digitized photograph.

1421

985.4815(12) 3rd Failure to report or providing false information about a sexual offender; harbor or conceal a sexual offender.

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985.4815(13) 3rd Sexual offender; failure to report and reregister; failure to respond to address

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verification; providing false registration information.

Section 34. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) and paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section 772.102, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

772.102 Definitions.—As used in this chapter, the term:

(1) "Criminal activity" means to commit, to attempt to commit, to conspire to commit, or to solicit, coerce, or intimidate another person to commit:

(a) Any crime that is chargeable by indictment or information under the following provisions:

1. Section 210.18, relating to evasion of payment of cigarette taxes.

2. Section 414.39, relating to public assistance fraud.

3. Section 440.105 or s. 440.106, relating to workers' compensation.

4. Part IV of chapter 501, relating to telemarketing.

5. Chapter 517, relating to securities transactions.

6. Section 550.235 or s. 550.3551, relating to dogracing and horseracing.

7. Chapter 550, relating to jai alai frontons.

8. Chapter 552, relating to the manufacture, distribution, and use of explosives.

9. Chapter 562, relating to beverage law enforcement.

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1446 10. Section 624.401, relating to transacting insurance
1447 without a certificate of authority, s. 624.437(4)(c)1., relating
1448 to operating an unauthorized multiple-employer welfare
1449 arrangement, or s. 626.902(1)(b), relating to representing or
1450 aiding an unauthorized insurer.

1451 11. Chapter 687, relating to interest and usurious
1452 practices.

1453 12. Section 721.08, s. 721.09, or s. 721.13, relating to
1454 real estate timeshare plans.

1455 13. Chapter 782, relating to homicide.

1456 14. Chapter 784, relating to assault and battery.

1457 15. Chapter 787, relating to kidnapping or human
1458 trafficking.

1459 16. Chapter 790, relating to weapons and firearms.

1460 17. Former s. 796.03, s. 796.04, s. 796.05, or s. 796.07,
1461 relating to prostitution.

1462 18. Chapter 806, relating to arson.

1463 19. Section 810.02(2)(c), relating to specified burglary
1464 of a dwelling or structure.

1465 20. Chapter 812, relating to theft, robbery, and related
1466 crimes.

1467 21. Chapter 815, relating to computer-related crimes.

1468 22. Chapter 817, relating to fraudulent practices, false
1469 pretenses, fraud generally, and credit card crimes.

1470 23. Section 827.071, relating to commercial sexual

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1471 exploitation of children.

1472 24. Chapter 831, relating to forgery and counterfeiting.

1473 25. Chapter 832, relating to issuance of worthless checks
1474 and drafts.

1475 26. Section 836.05, relating to extortion.

1476 27. Chapter 837, relating to perjury.

1477 28. Chapter 838, relating to bribery and misuse of public
1478 office.

1479 29. Chapter 843, relating to obstruction of justice.

1480 30. Section 847.011, s. 847.012, s. 847.013, s. 847.06, or
1481 s. 847.07, relating to obscene literature and profanity.

1482 31. Section 849.09, s. 849.14, s. 849.15, ~~s. 849.23~~, or s.
1483 849.25, relating to gambling.

1484 32. Chapter 893, relating to drug abuse prevention and
1485 control.

1486 33. Section 914.22 or s. 914.23, relating to witnesses,
1487 victims, or informants.

1488 34. Section 918.12, s. 918.125, or s. 918.13, relating to
1489 tampering with or harassing court officials, retaliating against
1490 court officials, and tampering with evidence.

1491 (2) "Unlawful debt" means any money or other thing of
1492 value constituting principal or interest of a debt that is
1493 legally unenforceable in this state in whole or in part because
1494 the debt was incurred or contracted:

1495 (a) In violation of any one of the following provisions of

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1496 law:

1497 1. Section 550.235 or s. 550.3551, relating to dogracing
1498 and horseracing.

1499 2. Chapter 550, relating to jai alai frontons.

1500 3. Section 687.071, relating to criminal usury and loan
1501 sharking.

1502 4. Section 849.09, s. 849.14, s. 849.15, ~~s. 849.23~~, or s.
1503 849.25, relating to gambling.

1504 **Section 35. Paragraph (a) of subsection (12) of section
1505 895.02, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:**

1506 895.02 Definitions.—As used in ss. 895.01-895.08, the
1507 term:

1508 (12) "Unlawful debt" means any money or other thing of
1509 value constituting principal or interest of a debt that is
1510 legally unenforceable in this state in whole or in part because
1511 the debt was incurred or contracted:

1512 (a) In violation of any one of the following provisions of
1513 law:

1514 1. Section 550.235 or s. 550.3551, relating to dogracing
1515 and horseracing.

1516 2. Chapter 550, relating to jai alai frontons.

1517 3. Section 551.109, relating to slot machine gaming.

1518 4. Chapter 687, relating to interest and usury.

1519 5. Section 849.09, s. 849.14, s. 849.15, ~~s. 849.23~~, or s.
1520 849.25, relating to gambling.

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Section 36. This act shall take effect October 1, 2026.

T I T L E A M E N D M E N T

Remove everything before the enacting clause and insert:

An act relating to gambling; amending s. 16.712, F.S.; revising the contents of an annual report by the Florida Gaming Control Commission; amending s. 16.713, F.S.; prohibiting certain appointment or employment for a specified period before or during service with the commission; amending s. 16.715, F.S.; revising standards of conduct for the commission; prohibiting certain post-employment activities for former commissioners and employees for a specified period; amending s. 20.055, F.S.; allowing the commission to appoint an agency inspector general; amending s. 546.10, F.S.; authorizing certain organizations to petition the commission before purchasing, installing, or operating a game or machine on their premises before petitioning for and being issued a specified declaratory statement from the commission if the organizations are unsure if such game or machine is an amusement machine; prohibiting such organizations from purchasing or installing a game or machine until an

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1546 outstanding declaratory statement is issued;
1547 prohibiting such organizations from seeking a
1548 declaratory statement if the game or machine in
1549 question is the subject of a criminal investigation;
1550 requiring the commission to issue a declaratory
1551 statement within a specified timeframe; prohibiting
1552 the commission from denying a petition if it was
1553 validly requested; specifying the information that
1554 must be included in a request for a declaratory
1555 statement; providing that the declaratory statement is
1556 valid only for the game or machine for which it is
1557 requested; providing that the declaratory statement is
1558 invalid if the specifications for the game or machine
1559 have been changed; providing that the declaratory
1560 statement is binding on the commission and may be
1561 introduced as evidence in subsequent proceedings;
1562 providing construction; amending s. 550.002, F.S.;
1563 revising the definition of the term "ultimate
1564 equitable owner"; amending s. 550.054, F.S.; revising
1565 when commission approval is needed for transfers of
1566 stock or other evidence of ownership of certain pari-
1567 mutuel permitholders; amending s. 550.09512, F.S.;
1568 removing provisions requiring reissuance of escheated
1569 harness horse permits; amending s. 550.09515, F.S.;
1570 prohibiting reissuance of horse permits to certain

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1571 permitholders who do not pay tax on handle for live
1572 races for a specified period; removing provisions
1573 requiring reissuance of escheated horse permits;
1574 amending s. 838.12, F.S.; prohibiting betting on
1575 athletic contests with knowledge that the results are
1576 prearranged or predetermined; providing criminal
1577 penalties; amending s. 849.01, F.S.; revising criminal
1578 penalties for offenses involving keeping a gambling
1579 house; amending s. 849.02, F.S.; increasing criminal
1580 penalties for specified offenses by agents or
1581 employees of a keeper of a gambling house; creating s.
1582 849.021, F.S.; establishing criminal penalties for
1583 government employees who knowingly certify, license,
1584 approve, aid, facilitate, or conceal the operation of
1585 a gambling house; creating s. 849.023, F.S.;
1586 authorizing the Department of Business and
1587 Professional Regulation, the Florida Gaming Control
1588 Commission, and the Office of Financial Regulation,
1589 respectively, to suspend the license of any person
1590 found in violation of s. 849.01, s. 849.03, or 849.15;
1591 providing for revocation of certain licenses;
1592 providing for reissuance of a license; providing a
1593 fine for convictions of a violation; amending s.
1594 849.03, F.S.; revising criminal penalties for offenses
1595 involving renting a house for gambling purposes;

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1596 amending s. 849.08, F.S.; providing definitions;
1597 prohibiting Internet gambling and Internet sports
1598 wagering and related offenses; providing criminal
1599 penalties; providing exceptions; amending s. 849.086,
1600 F.S.; prohibiting specified actions relating to the
1601 manipulation of card games; providing criminal
1602 penalties; creating s. 849.0932, F.S.; defining the
1603 term "fantasy sports contest"; requiring such contests
1604 to meet specified requirements; providing penalties
1605 for violations; authorizing the commission to
1606 investigate and refer violations for prosecution;
1607 authorizing enforcement actions by the Attorney
1608 General and state attorneys; providing criminal
1609 penalties for certain violations; amending s. 849.11,
1610 F.S.; prohibiting certain offenses relating to games
1611 of chance; providing criminal penalties; amending s.
1612 849.13, F.S.; providing enhanced criminal penalties
1613 for second or subsequent violations of certain
1614 provisions; amending s. 849.14, F.S.; revising
1615 criminal penalties for betting or wagering on certain
1616 activities; repealing s. 849.142, F.S., relating to
1617 exempted activities; amending s. 849.15, F.S.;
1618 defining the terms "conviction," "part thereof," and
1619 "person of authority"; providing criminal penalties
1620 for specified offenses relating to the manufacture,

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1621 possession, and sale of slot machines or devices;
1622 creating s. 849.155, F.S.; prohibiting trafficking in
1623 slot machines, devices, or a part thereof; providing
1624 criminal penalties; providing for the deposit of fines
1625 into a specified trust fund for specified purposes;
1626 creating s. 849.157, F.S.; prohibiting the making of a
1627 false or misleading statement regarding the legality
1628 of slot machines or devices for specified purposes;
1629 providing criminal penalties; amending s. 849.18,
1630 F.S.; providing a process for the disposition of
1631 certain slot machines or devices by the commission;
1632 creating s. 849.181, F.S.; providing a process for the
1633 destruction of excess slot machines or devices by
1634 certain criminal justice agencies; repealing s.
1635 849.23, F.S., relating to penalties for violations of
1636 specified provisions; creating s. 849.47, F.S.;
1637 defining the term "illegal gambling"; prohibiting the
1638 transportation of specified numbers of persons or
1639 persons of certain ages, for the purpose of
1640 facilitating illegal gambling; providing criminal
1641 penalties; creating s. 849.48, F.S.; defining the term
1642 "illegal gambling"; prohibiting specified gambling or
1643 gaming advertisements; providing criminal penalties;
1644 providing construction; creating s. 849.49, F.S.;
1645 preempting to the state the regulation of gaming,

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1646 gambling, lotteries, or other specified activities;
1647 creating s. 849.50, F.S.; establishing a limited
1648 gaming device surrender program that includes a
1649 certain period of time in which otherwise illegal
1650 gaming devices may be surrendered without penalty to
1651 ensure that any unknowing or otherwise innocent party
1652 can avoid criminal prosecution or civil penalty;
1653 requiring the commission to administer the program;
1654 providing immunity from criminal prosecution;
1655 providing program timeframes including an advertising
1656 period; specifying right of property in the devices;
1657 providing for a memorandum of understanding; amending
1658 s. 903.046, F.S.; providing for consideration of the
1659 amount of currency seized connected to or involved in
1660 specified gambling or gaming offenses when determining
1661 whether to release a defendant on bail prior to trial;
1662 amending s. 921.0022, F.S.; ranking offenses for
1663 purposes of the offense severity ranking chart of the
1664 Criminal Punishment Code; amending ss. 772.102 and
1665 895.02, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by
1666 the act; providing an effective date.