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1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to substance abuse services; amending
3	s. 397.311, F.S.; providing definitions; conforming a
4	cross-reference; creating s. 397.487, F.S.; providing
5	legislative findings and intent; requiring the
6	Department of Children and Families to create a
7	voluntary certification program for recovery
8	residences; requiring the department to approve
9	credentialing entities to develop and administer the
10	certification program; requiring an approved
11	credentialing entity to establish procedures for
12	certifying recovery residences that meet certain
13	qualifications; requiring an approved credentialing
14	entity to establish certain fees; requiring a
15	credentialing entity to conduct onsite inspections of
16	a recovery residence; requiring background screening
17	of employees of a recovery residence; providing for
18	denial, suspension, or revocation of certification;
19	providing a criminal penalty for falsely advertising a
20	recovery residence as a "certified recovery
21	residence"; creating s. 397.4871, F.S.; providing
22	legislative intent; requiring the department to create
23	a voluntary certification program for recovery
24	residence administrators; directing the department to
25	approve at least one credentialing entity by a
26	specified date to develop and administer the
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27	certification program; requiring an approved
28	credentialing entity to establish a process for
29	certifying recovery residence administrators who meet
30	certain qualifications; requiring an approved
31	credentialing entity to establish certain fees;
32	requiring background screening of applicants for
33	recovery residence administrator certification;
34	providing for suspension or revocation of
35	certification; providing a criminal penalty for
36	falsely advertising oneself as a "certified recovery
37	residence administrator"; creating s. 397.4872, F.S.;
38	providing exemptions from disqualifying offenses;
39	requiring credentialing entities to provide the
40	department with a list of all certified recovery
41	residences and recovery residence administrators by a
42	date certain; requiring the department to publish the
43	list on its website; allowing recovery residences and
44	recovery residence administrators to be excluded from
45	the list upon written request to the department;
46	amending s. 397.407, F.S.; providing conditions for a
47	licensed service provider to refer patients to a
48	certified recovery residence or a recovery residence
49	owned and operated by the licensed service provider;
50	defining the term "refer"; amending ss. 212.055,
51	394.9085, 397.405, 397.416, and 440.102, F.S.;
52	conforming cross-references; providing an effective
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55	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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57	Section 1. Subsection (32) of section 397.311, Florida
58	Statutes, is amended, subsections (4) and (5), subsections (6)
59	through (28), and subsections (29) through (39) are renumbered
60	as subsections (7) and (8), subsections (10) through (32), and
61	subsections (35) through (45), respectively, and new subsections
62	(4), (5), (6), (9), (33), and (34) are added to that section, to
63	read:
64	397.311 Definitions.—As used in this chapter, except part
65	VIII, the term:
66	(4) "Certificate of compliance" means a certificate that
67	is issued by a credentialing entity to a recovery residence or a
68	recovery residence administrator.
69	(5) "Certified recovery residence" means a recovery
70	residence that holds a valid certificate of compliance or that
71	is actively managed by a certified recovery residence
72	administrator.
73	(6) "Certified recovery residence administrator" means a
74	recovery residence administrator who holds a valid certificate
75	of compliance.
76	(9) "Credentialing entity" means a nonprofit organization
77	that develops and administers professional certification

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78	programs according to nationally recognized certification and
79	psychometric standards.
80	(33) "Recovery residence" means a residential dwelling
81	unit, or other form of group housing, that is offered or
82	advertised through any means, including oral, written,
83	electronic, or printed means, by any person or entity as a
84	residence that provides a peer-supported, alcohol-free, and
85	drug-free living environment.
86	(34) "Recovery residence administrator" means the person
87	responsible for overall management of the recovery residence,
88	including the supervision of residents and staff employed by, or
89	volunteering for, the residence.
90	(38) (32) "Service component" or "component" means a
91	discrete operational entity within a service provider which is
92	subject to licensing as defined by rule. Service components
93	include prevention, intervention, and clinical treatment
94	described in subsection (22) (18) .
95	Section 2. Section 397.487, Florida Statutes, is created
96	to read:
97	397.487 Voluntary certification of recovery residences
98	(1) The Legislature finds that a person suffering from
99	addiction has a higher success rate of achieving long-lasting
100	sobriety when given the opportunity to build a stronger
101	foundation by living in a recovery residence after completing
102	treatment. The Legislature further finds that this state and its
103	subdivisions have a legitimate state interest in protecting
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104	these persons, who represent a vulnerable consumer population in
105	need of adequate housing. It is the intent of the Legislature to
106	protect persons who reside in a recovery residence.
107	(2) The department shall approve one or more credentialing
108	entities for the purpose of developing and administering a
109	voluntary certification program for recovery residences. The
110	approved credentialing entity shall:
111	(a) Establish recovery residence certification
112	requirements.
113	(b) Establish procedures to:
114	1. Administer the application, certification,
115	recertification, and disciplinary processes.
116	2. Monitor and inspect a recovery residence and its staff
117	to ensure compliance with certification requirements.
118	3. Interview and evaluate residents, employees, and
119	volunteer staff on their knowledge and application of
120	certification requirements.
121	(c) Provide training for owners, managers, and staff.
122	(d) Develop a code of ethics.
123	(e) Establish application, inspection, and annual
124	certification renewal fees. The application fee may not exceed
125	\$100. The inspection fee shall reflect actual costs for
126	inspections. The annual certification renewal fee may not exceed
127	<u>\$100.</u>

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128	(3) A credentialing entity shall require the recovery
129	residence to submit the following documents with the completed
130	application and fee:
131	(a) A policy and procedures manual containing:
132	1. Job descriptions for all staff positions.
133	2. Drug-testing procedures and requirements.
134	3. A prohibition on the premises against alcohol, illegal
135	drugs, and the use of prescribed medications by an individual
136	other than the individual for whom the medication is prescribed.
137	4. Policies to support a resident's recovery efforts.
138	5. A good neighbor policy to address neighborhood concerns
139	and complaints.
140	(b) Rules for residents.
141	(c) Copies of all forms provided to residents.
142	(d) Intake procedures.
143	(e) Relapse policy.
144	(f) Fee schedule.
145	(g) Refund policy.
146	(h) Eviction procedures and policy.
147	(i) Code of ethics.
148	(j) Proof of insurance requirements.
149	(k) Background screening requirements.
150	(1) Requirements for proof of satisfactory fire, safety,
151	and health inspections.
152	(4) A credentialing entity shall conduct an onsite
153	inspection of the recovery residence before issuing a
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154	certificate of compliance. Onsite followup monitoring of any
155	certified recovery residence may be conducted by the
156	credentialing entity to determine continuing compliance with
157	certification requirements. Each certified recovery residence
158	shall be inspected at least once during each certification
159	renewal period to ensure compliance.
160	(5) A credentialing entity shall require that all
161	employees of a recovery residence pass a level 2 background
162	screening as provided in s. 435.04. The employee's fingerprints
163	must be submitted by the department, an entity, or a vendor as
164	authorized by s. 943.053(13)(a). The fingerprints shall be
165	forwarded to the Department of Law Enforcement for state
166	processing, and the Department of Law Enforcement shall forward
167	them to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for national
168	processing. Fees for state and national fingerprint processing
169	shall be borne by the employer or employee. The department shall
170	screen background results to determine whether an employee meets
171	certification requirements.
172	(6) A credentialing entity shall issue a certificate of
173	compliance upon approval of the recovery residence's application
174	and inspection. The certification shall automatically terminate
175	if not renewed within 1 year after the date of issuance.
176	(7) A credentialing entity shall deny a recovery
177	residence's application for certification, and may suspend or
178	revoke a certification, if the recovery residence:
179	(a) Is not in compliance with any provision of this
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180 section; 181 (b) Has failed to remedy any deficiency identified by the 182 credentialing entity within the time period specified; 183 (c) Provided false, misleading, or incomplete information 184 to the credentialing entity; or 185 Has employees who are subject to the disqualifying (d) offenses set forth in s. 435.04(2), unless an exemption has been 186 187 provided under s. 397.4872. 188 (8) A person may not advertise to the public, in any way 189 or by any medium whatsoever, any recovery residence as a "certified recovery residence" unless such recovery residence 190 191 has first secured a certificate of compliance under this 192 section. A person who violates this subsection commits a 193 misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 194 <u>775.082</u> or s. 775.083. 195 Section 3. Section 397.4871, Florida Statutes, is created 196 to read: 197 397.4871 Recovery residence administrator certification.-198 (1) It is the intent of the Legislature that a recovery 199 residence administrator voluntarily earn and maintain 200 certification from a credentialing entity approved by the 201 Department of Children and Families. The Legislature further 202 intends that certification ensure that an administrator has the 203 competencies necessary to appropriately respond to the needs of residents, to maintain residence standards, and to meet 204 205 residence certification requirements. Page 8 of 22

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206	(2) The department shall approve at least one
207	credentialing entity by December 1, 2015, for the purpose of
208	developing and administering a voluntary credentialing program
209	for administrators. The department shall approve any
210	credentialing entity that the department endorses pursuant to s.
211	397.321(16) if the credentialing entity also meets the
212	requirements of this section. The approved credentialing entity
213	shall:
214	(a) Establish recovery residence administrator core
215	competencies, certification requirements, testing instruments,
216	and recertification requirements according to nationally
217	recognized certification and psychometric standards.
218	(b) Establish a process to administer the certification
219	application, award, and maintenance processes.
220	(c) Demonstrate ability to administer:
221	1. A code of ethics and disciplinary process.
222	2. Biennial continuing education requirements and annual
223	certification renewal requirements.
224	3. An education provider program to approve training
225	entities that are qualified to provide precertification training
226	to applicants and continuing education opportunities to
227	certified persons.
228	(3) A credentialing entity shall establish a certification
229	program that:
230	(a) Is established according to nationally recognized
231	certification and psychometric standards.
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232	(b) Is directly related to the core competencies.
233	(c) Establishes minimum requirements in each of the
234	following categories:
235	1. Training.
236	2. On-the-job work experience.
237	3. Supervision.
238	4. Testing.
239	5. Biennial continuing education.
240	(d) Requires adherence to a code of ethics and provides
241	for a disciplinary process that applies to certified persons.
242	(e) Approves qualified training entities that provide
243	precertification training to applicants and continuing education
244	to certified recovery residence administrators. To avoid a
245	conflict of interest, a credentialing entity or its affiliate
246	may not deliver training to an applicant or continuing education
247	to a certificateholder.
248	(4) A credentialing entity shall require each applicant to
249	pass a level 2 background screening as provided in s. 435.04.
250	The applicant's fingerprints must be submitted by the
251	department, an entity, or a vendor as authorized by s.
252	943.053(13)(a). The fingerprints shall be forwarded to the
253	Department of Law Enforcement for state processing, and the
254	Department of Law Enforcement shall forward them to the Federal
255	Bureau of Investigation for national processing. Fees for state
256	and national fingerprint processing shall be borne by the
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257	applicant. The department shall screen background results to
258	determine whether an applicant meets certification requirements.
259	(5) A credentialing entity shall establish application,
260	examination, and certification fees and an annual certification
261	renewal fee. The application, examination, and certification fee
262	may not exceed \$225. The annual certification renewal fee may
263	not exceed \$100.
264	(6) The credentialing entity shall issue a certificate of
265	compliance upon approval of a person's application. The
266	certification shall automatically terminate if not renewed
267	within 1 year after the date of issuance.
268	(7) A person who is subject to the disqualifying offenses
269	set forth in s. 435.04(2) is ineligible to become a certified
270	recovery residency administrator.
271	(8) A credentialing entity may suspend or revoke the
272	recovery residence administrator's certificate of compliance if
273	the recovery residence administrator:
274	(a) Fails to adhere to the continuing education
275	requirements; or
276	(b) Becomes subject to the disqualifying offenses set
277	forth in s. 435.04(2), unless an exemption has been provided
278	under s. 397.4872.
279	(9) A person may not advertise himself or herself to the
280	public, in any way or by any medium whatsoever, as a "certified
281	recovery residence administrator" unless he or she has first
282	secured a certificate of compliance under this section. A person
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283	who violates this subsection commits a misdemeanor of the first
284	degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.
285	Section 4. Section 397.4872, Florida Statutes, is created
286	to read:
287	397.4872 Exemption from disqualification; publication
288	(1) Individual exemptions to staff disqualification or
289	administrator ineligibility may be requested if a recovery
290	residence deems the decision will benefit the program. Requests
291	for exemptions shall be submitted in writing to the department
292	and include a justification for the exemption.
293	(2) The department may exempt a person from ss.
294	397.487(7)(d) and 397.4871(7) if it has been at least 3 years
295	since the person has completed or been lawfully released from
296	confinement, supervision, or sanction for the disqualifying
297	offense. An exemption from the disqualifying offenses may not be
298	given under any circumstances for any person who is a:
299	(a) Sexual predator pursuant to s. 775.21;
300	(b) Career offender pursuant to s. 775.261; or
301	(c) Sexual offender pursuant to s. 943.0435, unless the
302	requirement to register as a sexual offender has been removed
303	pursuant to s. 943.04354.
304	(3) By April 1, 2016, a credentialing entity shall submit
305	a list to the department of all recovery residences and recovery
306	residence administrators certified by the credentialing entity
307	that hold a valid certificate of compliance. Thereafter, the
308	credentialing entity must notify the department within 3
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309	business days after a new recovery residence administrator is
310	certified or a recovery residence administrator's certificate
311	expires or is terminated. The department shall publish on its
312	website a list of all recovery residences and recovery residence
313	administrators that hold a valid certificate of compliance. A
314	recovery residence or recovery residence administrator shall be
315	excluded from the list if the recovery residence administrator
316	submits a written request to the department.
317	Section 5. Subsections (1) and (5) of section 397.407,
318	Florida Statutes, are amended, and subsection (11) is added to
319	that section, to read:
320	397.407 Licensure process; fees
321	(1) The department shall establish by rule the licensure
322	process to include fees and categories of licenses. The rule
323	must prescribe a fee range that is based, at least in part, on
324	the number and complexity of programs listed in s. $397.311(22)$
325	397.311(18) which are operated by a licensee. The fees from the
326	licensure of service components are sufficient to cover at least
327	50 percent of the costs of regulating the service components.
328	The department shall specify by rule a fee range for public and
329	privately funded licensed service providers. Fees for privately
330	funded licensed service providers must exceed the fees for
331	publicly funded licensed service providers. During adoption of
332	the rule governing the licensure process and fees, the
333	department shall carefully consider the potential adverse impact
334	on small, not-for-profit service providers.
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335 (5) The department may issue probationary, regular, and 336 interim licenses. After adopting the rule governing the 337 licensure process and fees, the department shall issue one 338 license for each service component that is operated by a service 339 provider and defined in rule pursuant to s. 397.311(22) 340 397.311(18). The license is valid only for the specific service 341 components listed for each specific location identified on the 342 license. The licensed service provider shall apply for a new 343 license at least 60 days before the addition of any service components or 30 days before the relocation of any of its 344 service sites. Provision of service components or delivery of 345 346 services at a location not identified on the license may be 347 considered an unlicensed operation that authorizes the 348 department to seek an injunction against operation as provided 349 in s. 397.401, in addition to other sanctions authorized by s. 350 397.415. Probationary and regular licenses may be issued only 351 after all required information has been submitted. A license may not be transferred. As used in this subsection, the term 352 353 "transfer" includes, but is not limited to, the transfer of a 354 majority of the ownership interest in the licensed entity or 355 transfer of responsibilities under the license to another entity 356 by contractual arrangement.

357 (11) Effective July 1, 2016, a service provider licensed 358 under this part may not refer a current or discharged patient to 359 a recovery residence unless the recovery residence holds a valid 360 certificate of compliance as provided in s. 397.487, is actively Page 14 of 22

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361	managed by a certified recovery residence administrator as
362	provided in s. 397.4871, or both, or is owned and operated by a
363	licensed service provider or a licensed service provider's
364	wholly owned subsidiary. For purposes of this subsection, the
365	term "refer" means to inform a patient by any means about the
366	name, address, or other details of the recovery residence.
367	However, this subsection does not require a licensed service
368	provider to refer any patient to a recovery residence.
369	Section 6. Paragraph (e) of subsection (5) of section
370	212.055, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
371	212.055 Discretionary sales surtaxes; legislative intent;
372	authorization and use of proceeds.—It is the legislative intent
373	that any authorization for imposition of a discretionary sales
374	surtax shall be published in the Florida Statutes as a
375	subsection of this section, irrespective of the duration of the
376	levy. Each enactment shall specify the types of counties
377	authorized to levy; the rate or rates which may be imposed; the
378	maximum length of time the surtax may be imposed, if any; the
379	procedure which must be followed to secure voter approval, if
380	required; the purpose for which the proceeds may be expended;
381	and such other requirements as the Legislature may provide.
382	Taxable transactions and administrative procedures shall be as
383	provided in s. 212.054.
384	(5) COUNTY PUBLIC HOSPITAL SURTAX.—Any county as defined
385	in s. 125.011(1) may levy the surtax authorized in this
386	subsection pursuant to an ordinance either approved by
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387 extraordinary vote of the county commission or conditioned to 388 take effect only upon approval by a majority vote of the 389 electors of the county voting in a referendum. In a county as 390 defined in s. 125.011(1), for the purposes of this subsection, 391 "county public general hospital" means a general hospital as 392 defined in s. 395.002 which is owned, operated, maintained, or 393 governed by the county or its agency, authority, or public 394 health trust.

395 A governing board, agency, or authority shall be (e) chartered by the county commission upon this act becoming law. 396 The governing board, agency, or authority shall adopt and 397 398 implement a health care plan for indigent health care services. 399 The governing board, agency, or authority shall consist of no 400 more than seven and no fewer than five members appointed by the 401 county commission. The members of the governing board, agency, 402 or authority shall be at least 18 years of age and residents of 403 the county. No member may be employed by or affiliated with a 404 health care provider or the public health trust, agency, or 405 authority responsible for the county public general hospital. 406 The following community organizations shall each appoint a 407 representative to a nominating committee: the South Florida Hospital and Healthcare Association, the Miami-Dade County 408 409 Public Health Trust, the Dade County Medical Association, the 410 Miami-Dade County Homeless Trust, and the Mayor of Miami-Dade 411 County. This committee shall nominate between 10 and 14 county 412 citizens for the governing board, agency, or authority. The Page 16 of 22

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413 slate shall be presented to the county commission and the county 414 commission shall confirm the top five to seven nominees, 415 depending on the size of the governing board. Until such time as 416 the governing board, agency, or authority is created, the funds 417 provided for in subparagraph (d)2. shall be placed in a 418 restricted account set aside from other county funds and not 419 disbursed by the county for any other purpose.

1. The plan shall divide the county into a minimum of four and maximum of six service areas, with no more than one participant hospital per service area. The county public general hospital shall be designated as the provider for one of the service areas. Services shall be provided through participants' primary acute care facilities.

426 2. The plan and subsequent amendments to it shall fund a 427 defined range of health care services for both indigent persons 428 and the medically poor, including primary care, preventive care, 429 hospital emergency room care, and hospital care necessary to 430 stabilize the patient. For the purposes of this section, 431 "stabilization" means stabilization as defined in s. 397.311(41) 432 397.311(35). Where consistent with these objectives, the plan may include services rendered by physicians, clinics, community 433 hospitals, and alternative delivery sites, as well as at least 434 435 one regional referral hospital per service area. The plan shall 436 provide that agreements negotiated between the governing board, 437 agency, or authority and providers shall recognize hospitals 438 that render a disproportionate share of indigent care, provide Page 17 of 22

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439 other incentives to promote the delivery of charity care to draw 440 down federal funds where appropriate, and require cost 441 containment, including, but not limited to, case management. 442 From the funds specified in subparagraphs (d)1. and 2. for indigent health care services, service providers shall receive 443 444 reimbursement at a Medicaid rate to be determined by the 445 governing board, agency, or authority created pursuant to this 446 paragraph for the initial emergency room visit, and a per-member 447 per-month fee or capitation for those members enrolled in their service area, as compensation for the services rendered 448 449 following the initial emergency visit. Except for provisions of 450 emergency services, upon determination of eligibility, 451 enrollment shall be deemed to have occurred at the time services 452 were rendered. The provisions for specific reimbursement of 453 emergency services shall be repealed on July 1, 2001, unless 454 otherwise reenacted by the Legislature. The capitation amount or 455 rate shall be determined prior to program implementation by an 456 independent actuarial consultant. In no event shall such 457 reimbursement rates exceed the Medicaid rate. The plan must also 458 provide that any hospitals owned and operated by government 459 entities on or after the effective date of this act must, as a condition of receiving funds under this subsection, afford 460 461 public access equal to that provided under s. 286.011 as to any 462 meeting of the governing board, agency, or authority the subject 463 of which is budgeting resources for the retention of charity 464 care, as that term is defined in the rules of the Agency for Page 18 of 22

465 Health Care Administration. The plan shall also include 466 innovative health care programs that provide cost-effective 467 alternatives to traditional methods of service and delivery 468 funding.

3. The plan's benefits shall be made available to all county residents currently eligible to receive health care services as indigents or medically poor as defined in paragraph (4)(d).

473 4. Eligible residents who participate in the health care 474 plan shall receive coverage for a period of 12 months or the 475 period extending from the time of enrollment to the end of the 476 current fiscal year, per enrollment period, whichever is less.

477 5. At the end of each fiscal year, the governing board, 478 agency, or authority shall prepare an audit that reviews the 479 budget of the plan, delivery of services, and quality of 480 services, and makes recommendations to increase the plan's 481 efficiency. The audit shall take into account participant 482 hospital satisfaction with the plan and assess the amount of 483 poststabilization patient transfers requested, and accepted or 484 denied, by the county public general hospital.

485 Section 7. Subsection (6) of section 394.9085, Florida 486 Statutes, is amended to read:

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394.9085 Behavioral provider liability.-

(6) For purposes of this section, the terms
"detoxification services," "addictions receiving facility," and
"receiving facility" have the same meanings as those provided in

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491 ss. 397.311(22)(a)4. 397.311(18)(a)4., 397.311(22)(a)1. 492 397.311(18)(a)1., and 394.455(26), respectively. 493 Section 8. Subsection (8) of section 397.405, Florida 494 Statutes, is amended to read: 495 397.405 Exemptions from licensure.-The following are 496 exempt from the licensing provisions of this chapter: 497 A legally cognizable church or nonprofit religious (8) 498 organization or denomination providing substance abuse services, 499 including prevention services, which are solely religious, spiritual, or ecclesiastical in nature. A church or nonprofit 500 religious organization or denomination providing any of the 501 licensed service components itemized under s. 397.311(22) 502 503 397.311(18) is not exempt from substance abuse licensure but 504 retains its exemption with respect to all services which are 505 solely religious, spiritual, or ecclesiastical in nature. 506 507 The exemptions from licensure in this section do not apply to 508 any service provider that receives an appropriation, grant, or 509 contract from the state to operate as a service provider as 510 defined in this chapter or to any substance abuse program regulated pursuant to s. 397.406. Furthermore, this chapter may 511 512 not be construed to limit the practice of a physician or 513 physician assistant licensed under chapter 458 or chapter 459, a 514 psychologist licensed under chapter 490, a psychotherapist

516 practitioner licensed under part I of chapter 464, who provides

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licensed under chapter 491, or an advanced registered nurse

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517 substance abuse treatment, so long as the physician, physician 518 assistant, psychologist, psychotherapist, or advanced registered 519 nurse practitioner does not represent to the public that he or 520 she is a licensed service provider and does not provide services 521 to individuals pursuant to part V of this chapter. Failure to 522 comply with any requirement necessary to maintain an exempt 523 status under this section is a misdemeanor of the first degree, 524 punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

525 Section 9. Section 397.416, Florida Statutes, is amended 526 to read:

527 397.416 Substance abuse treatment services; qualified professional.-Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a 528 529 person who was certified through a certification process 530 recognized by the former Department of Health and Rehabilitative 531 Services before January 1, 1995, may perform the duties of a 532 qualified professional with respect to substance abuse treatment 533 services as defined in this chapter, and need not meet the 534 certification requirements contained in s. 397.311(30) 535 397.311(26).

536 Section 10. Paragraphs (d) and (g) of subsection (1) of 537 section 440.102, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

538 440.102 Drug-free workplace program requirements.—The 539 following provisions apply to a drug-free workplace program 540 implemented pursuant to law or to rules adopted by the Agency 541 for Health Care Administration:

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(1) DEFINITIONS.-Except where the context otherwise Page 21 of 22

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543 requires, as used in this act:

(d) "Drug rehabilitation program" means a service
provider, established pursuant to s. <u>397.311(39)</u> 397.311(33),
that provides confidential, timely, and expert identification,
assessment, and resolution of employee drug abuse.

548 "Employee assistance program" means an established (q) 549 program capable of providing expert assessment of employee 550 personal concerns; confidential and timely identification 551 services with regard to employee drug abuse; referrals of 552 employees for appropriate diagnosis, treatment, and assistance; 553 and followup services for employees who participate in the 554 program or require monitoring after returning to work. If, in 555 addition to the above activities, an employee assistance program 556 provides diagnostic and treatment services, these services shall 557 in all cases be provided by service providers pursuant to s. 558 397.311(39) 397.311(33).

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Section 11. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015.

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