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A bill to be entitled An act relating to insurance fraud; repealing s. 400.993, F.S., relating to criminal penalties applicable to unlicensed health care clinics and the reporting of unlicensed health care clinics; amending s. 400.9935, F.S.; revising provisions related to unlawful, noncompensable, and unenforceable health care clinic charges or reimbursement claims; revising and providing criminal penalties for making unlawful charges, operating or failing to report an unlicensed clinic, filing false or misleading information related to a clinic license application, and other violations; defining the term "convicted"; amending s. 626.9894, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; repealing s. 626.9895, F.S., relating to the establishment of a motor vehicle insurance fraud direct-support organization; amending s. 921.0022, F.S.; conforming provisions of the offense severity ranking chart of the Criminal Punishment Code to changes made by the act; providing an effective date. Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: Section 1. Section 400.993, Florida Statutes, is repealed. Subsections (3) and (4) of section 400.9935, Section 2. Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

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400.9935 Clinic responsibilities.-

- made by or on behalf of a clinic that is required to be licensed under this part, but that is not so licensed, or that is otherwise operating in violation of this part or rules of the agency, regardless of whether a service is rendered or whether the charge or reimbursement claim is paid, is an, are unlawful charge charges, and is therefore are noncompensable and unenforceable. A person who knowingly makes or causes to be made an unlawful charge commits theft within the meaning of, and punishable as provided in, s. 812.014.
- (4) (a) Regardless of whether notification is provided by the agency under In addition to the requirements of s. 408.812, a any person commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084, if the person knowingly:
- 1. Establishes, owns, operates, manages, or maintains establishing, operating, or managing an unlicensed clinic otherwise required to be licensed under this part or part II of chapter 408; or
- 2. Offers or advertises services that require licensure as a clinic under this part or part II of chapter 408 without a license.
- (b) If the agency provides notification under s. 408.812 of, or if a person is arrested for, a violation of subparagraph (a)1. or subparagraph (a)2., each day during which a violation

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of subparagraph (a)1. or subparagraph (a)2. occurs constitutes a separate offense.

- (c) A person convicted of a second or subsequent violation of subparagraph (a)1. or subparagraph (a)2. commits a felony of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084. If the agency provides notification of, or if a person is arrested for, a violation of this paragraph, each day that this paragraph is violated thereafter constitutes a separate offense. For purposes of this paragraph, the term "convicted" means a determination of guilt which is the result of a trial or the entry of a plea of guilty or nolo contendere, regardless of whether adjudication is withheld.
- (d) In addition to the requirements of part II of chapter 408, a health care provider who is aware of the operation of an unlicensed clinic shall report the clinic to the agency. The agency shall report to the provider's licensing board a failure to report a clinic that the provider knows or has reasonable cause to suspect is unlicensed.
- (e) A person commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084, if the any person who knowingly:
- $\underline{1.}$  Files a false or misleading license application or license renewal application, or  $\underline{\text{files}}$  false or misleading information related to such application or  $\underline{\text{agency}}$   $\underline{\text{department}}$  rule;  $\underline{\text{or}}$ 
  - 2. Fails to report information to the agency as required

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79	by s. 408.810(3), commits a felony of the third degree,
80	punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.
81	Section 3. Subsection (5) of section 626.9894, Florida
82	Statutes, is amended to read:
83	626.9894 Gifts and grants.—
84	(5) Notwithstanding s. 216.301 and pursuant to s. 216.351,
85	any balance of moneys deposited into the Insurance Regulatory
86	Trust Fund pursuant to this section or s. 626.9895 remaining at
87	the end of any fiscal year is available for carrying out the
88	duties and responsibilities of the division. The department may
89	request annual appropriations from the grants and donations
90	received pursuant to this section $\frac{1}{2}$ or $\frac{1}{2}$
91	balances in the Insurance Regulatory Trust Fund for the purpose
92	of carrying out its duties and responsibilities related to the
93	division's anti-fraud efforts, including the funding of
94	dedicated prosecutors and related personnel.
95	Section 4. Section 626.9895, Florida Statutes, is
96	repealed.
97	Section 5. Paragraphs (c) and (f) of subsection (3) of
98	section 921.0022, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
99	921.0022 Criminal Punishment Code; offense severity
100	ranking chart.—
101	(3) OFFENSE SEVERITY RANKING CHART
102	(c) LEVEL 3
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	Florida	Felony	Description
	Statute	Degree	
105			
	119.10(2)(b)	3rd	Unlawful use of confidential
			information from police reports.
106			
	316.066	3rd	Unlawfully obtaining or using
	(3) (b) - (d)		confidential crash reports.
107			
	316.193(2)(b)	3rd	Felony DUI, 3rd conviction.
108			
	316.1935(2)	3rd	Fleeing or attempting to elude
			law enforcement officer in
			patrol vehicle with siren and
			lights activated.
109			
	319.30(4)	3rd	Possession by junkyard of motor
			vehicle with identification
			number plate removed.
110			
	319.33(1)(a)	3rd	Alter or forge any certificate
			of title to a motor vehicle or
			mobile home.
111			
	319.33(1)(c)	3rd	-
			vehicle.
111	319.33(1)(c)	3rd	Procure or pass title on stolen vehicle.

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112			
	319.33(4)	3rd	With intent to defraud, possess, sell, etc., a blank, forged, or unlawfully obtained title or registration.
113			
	327.35(2)(b)	3rd	Felony BUI.
114			
	328.05(2)	3rd	Possess, sell, or counterfeit
			fictitious, stolen, or
			fraudulent titles or bills of
			sale of vessels.
115			
	328.07(4)	3rd	Manufacture, exchange, or
			possess vessel with counterfeit
			or wrong ID number.
116			
	376.302(5)	3rd	Fraud related to reimbursement
			for cleanup expenses under the
			Inland Protection Trust Fund.
117	0.70.0404		
	379.2431	3rd	Taking, disturbing, mutilating,
	(1) (e) 5.		destroying, causing to be
			destroyed, transferring,
			selling, offering to sell,
			molesting, or harassing marine
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			turtles, marine turtle eggs, or
			marine turtle nests in violation
			of the Marine Turtle Protection
			Act.
118			
	379.2431	3rd	Soliciting to commit or
	(1) (e) 6.		conspiring to commit a violation
			of the Marine Turtle Protection
			Act.
119			
	400.9935(4) <u>(a)</u>	3rd	Operating a clinic <u>, or offering</u>
	or (b)		services requiring licensure,
			without a license <del>or filing</del>
			false license application or
			other required information.
120			
	400.9935(4)(e)	<u>3rd</u>	Filing a false license
			application or other required
			information or failing to report
			information.
121			
	440.1051(3)	3rd	False report of workers'
			compensation fraud or
			retaliation for making such a
			report.
122			
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	501.001(2)(b)	2nd	Tampers with a consumer product
			or the container using
			materially false/misleading
			information.
123			
	624.401(4)(a)	3rd	Transacting insurance without a
			certificate of authority.
124			
	624.401(4)(b)1.	3rd	Transacting insurance without a
			certificate of authority;
			premium collected less than
			\$20,000.
125			
	626.902(1)(a) &	3rd	Representing an unauthorized
	(b)		insurer.
126			
	697.08	3rd	Equity skimming.
127			
	790.15(3)	3rd	Person directs another to
			discharge firearm from a
			vehicle.
128			
	806.10(1)	3rd	Maliciously injure, destroy, or
			interfere with vehicles or
			equipment used in firefighting.
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	806.10(2)	3rd	Interferes with or assaults
			firefighter in performance of
			duty.
130			
	810.09(2)(c)	3rd	Trespass on property other than
			structure or conveyance armed
			with firearm or dangerous
			weapon.
131			
	812.014(2)(c)2.	3rd	Grand theft; \$5,000 or more but
			less than \$10,000.
132			
	812.0145(2)(c)	3rd	Theft from person 65 years of
			age or older; \$300 or more but
			less than \$10,000.
133			
	815.04(5)(b)	2nd	Computer offense devised to
			defraud or obtain property.
134			
	817.034(4)(a)3.	3rd	Engages in scheme to defraud
			(Florida Communications Fraud
			Act), property valued at less
			than \$20,000.
135			
	817.233	3rd	Burning to defraud insurer.
136			

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	817.234	3rd	Unlawful solicitation of persons
	(8)(b) & (c)		involved in motor vehicle
			accidents.
137			
	817.234(11)(a)	3rd	Insurance fraud; property value
	, , , ,		less than \$20,000.
138			
	817.236	3rd	Filing a false motor vehicle
	017.230	JIG	insurance application.
139			insurance application.
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	817.2361	3rd	Creating, marketing, or
			presenting a false or fraudulent
			motor vehicle insurance card.
140			
	817.413(2)	3rd	Sale of used goods as new.
141			
	817.505(4)	3rd	Patient brokering.
142			
	828.12(2)	3rd	Tortures any animal with intent
			to inflict intense pain, serious
			physical injury, or death.
143			
	831.28(2)(a)	3rd	Counterfeiting a payment
			instrument with intent to
			defraud or possessing a
			counterfeit payment instrument.

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144			
	831.29	2nd	Possession of instruments for counterfeiting driver licenses
			or identification cards.
145			
	838.021(3)(b)	3rd	Threatens unlawful harm to public servant.
146			
	843.19	3rd	Injure, disable, or kill police dog or horse.
147			dog of noise.
14/	860.15(3)	3rd	Overcharging for repairs and
		0 2 0.	parts.
148			
	870.01(2)	3rd	Riot; inciting or encouraging.
149			
	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)5.,
			(2)(c)6., (2)(c)7., (2)(c)8.,
			(2)(c)9., (3), or (4) drugs).
150			
	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) 5.,
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			(2)(c)6., (2)(c)7., (2)(c)8.,
			(2)(c)9., (3), or (4) drugs
			within 1,000 feet of university.
151			
	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) 5.,
			(2) (c) 6., (2) (c) 7., (2) (c) 8.,
			(2)(c)9., (3), or (4) drugs
			within 1,000 feet of public
			housing facility.
152			
	893.13(6)(a)	3rd	Possession of any controlled
			substance other than felony
			possession of cannabis.
153			
	893.13(7)(a)8.	3rd	Withhold information from
			practitioner regarding previous
			receipt of or prescription for a
			controlled substance.
154			
	893.13(7)(a)9.	3rd	Obtain or attempt to obtain
			controlled substance by fraud,
			forgery, misrepresentation, etc.
155			
	893.13(7)(a)10.	3rd	Affix false or forged label to
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			package of controlled substance.
156			
	893.13(7)(a)11.	3rd	Furnish false or fraudulent
			material information on any
			document or record required by
			chapter 893.
157			
	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.
158			
	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.
159			
	893.13(8)(a)3.	3rd	Knowingly write a prescription
			for a controlled substance for a
			fictitious person.
160			
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	893.13(8)(a)4.	3rd	Write a prescription for a
			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.
161			
	918.13(1)(a)	3rd	Alter, destroy, or conceal
			investigation evidence.
162			
	944.47	3rd	Introduce contraband to
	(1)(a)1. & 2.		correctional facility.
163			
	944.47(1)(c)	2nd	Possess contraband while upon
			the grounds of a correctional
			institution.
164			
	985.721	3rd	Escapes from a juvenile facility
			(secure detention or residential
			commitment facility).
165	(f) LEVEL 6		
166			
167			
	Florida	Felony	Description
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168			
	316.027(2)(b)	2nd	Leaving the scene of a crash
1.60			involving serious bodily injury.
169	316.193(2)(b)	3rd	Felony DUI, 4th or subsequent
	310.193(Z)(D)	31 a	conviction.
170			Conviction.
	400.9935(4)(c)	2nd	Operating a clinic, or offering
			services requiring licensure,
			without a license.
171			
	499.0051(3)	2nd	Knowing forgery of pedigree
1.00			papers.
172	400 0051 (4)	O1	Warrania a manaharan an manaharan a
	499.0051(4)	2nd	Knowing purchase or receipt of prescription drug from
			unauthorized person.
173			anadono1210a po100m
	499.0051(5)	2nd	Knowing sale or transfer of
			prescription drug to
			unauthorized person.
174			
	775.0875(1)	3rd	Taking firearm from law
			enforcement officer.
175	F04 001 (1) ( )	2	
	784.021(1)(a)	3rd	Aggravated assault; deadly
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176			weapon without intent to kill.
170	784.021(1)(b)	3rd	Aggravated assault; intent to commit felony.
177	784.041	3rd	Felony battery; domestic battery by strangulation.
178	784.048(3)	3rd	Aggravated stalking; credible threat.
179	784.048(5)	3rd	Aggravated stalking of person under 16.
180	784.07(2)(c)	2nd	Aggravated assault on law enforcement officer.
181	784.074(1)(b)	2nd	Aggravated assault on sexually violent predators facility staff.
182	784.08(2)(b)	2nd	Aggravated assault on a person 65 years of age or older.
183	784.081(2)	2nd	Aggravated assault on specified official or employee.

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184			
	784.082(2)	2nd	Aggravated assault by detained
			person on visitor or other
			detainee.
185			
	784.083(2)	2nd	Aggravated assault on code
			inspector.
186			
	787.02(2)	3rd	False imprisonment; restraining
			with purpose other than those in
			s. 787.01.
187			
	790.115(2)(d)	2nd	Discharging firearm or weapon on
			school property.
188	700 161 (0)	0 1	
	790.161(2)	2nd	Make, possess, or throw
			destructive device with intent
			to do bodily harm or damage
189			property.
109	790.164(1)	2nd	False report of deadly
	750.104(1)	2110	explosive, weapon of mass
			destruction, or act of arson or
			violence to state property.
190			1 1 1 1 1 1
	790.19	2nd	Shooting or throwing deadly
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			missiles into dwellings,
			vessels, or vehicles.
191			
	794.011(8)(a)	3rd	Solicitation of minor to
			participate in sexual activity
			by custodial adult.
192			
	794.05(1)	2nd	Unlawful sexual activity with
			specified minor.
193			
	800.04(5)(d)	3rd	Lewd or lascivious molestation;
			victim 12 years of age or older
			but less than 16 years of age;
			offender less than 18 years.
194			
	800.04(6)(b)	2nd	Lewd or lascivious conduct;
			offender 18 years of age or
195			older.
195	806.031(2)	2nd	Arson resulting in great bodily
	000.031(2)	2110	harm to firefighter or any other
196			person.
100	810.02(3)(c)	2nd	Burglary of occupied structure;
	010.02(0)(0)	2114	unarmed; no assault or battery.
197			

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	810.145(8)(b)	2nd	Video voyeurism; certain minor
			victims; 2nd or subsequent
			offense.
198			
	812.014(2)(b)1.	2nd	Property stolen \$20,000 or more,
			but less than \$100,000, grand
			theft in 2nd degree.
199			
	812.014(6)	2nd	Theft; property stolen \$3,000 or
			more; coordination of others.
200			
	812.015(9)(a)	2nd	Retail theft; property stolen
			\$300 or more; second or
			subsequent conviction.
201			
	812.015(9)(b)	2nd	Retail theft; property stolen
			\$3,000 or more; coordination of
202			others.
202	010 12/2)/2)	On d	Debberg no fineers on other
	812.13(2)(c)	2nd	Robbery, no firearm or other
203			weapon (strong-arm robbery).
203	817.4821(5)	2nd	Possess cloning paraphernalia
	011.4021(3)	2110	with intent to create cloned
			cellular telephones.
204			corratar corophones.
201			

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	825.102(1)	3rd	Abuse of an elderly person or disabled adult.
205			
	825.102(3)(c)	3rd	Neglect of an elderly person or
			disabled adult.
206			
	825.1025(3)	3rd	Lewd or lascivious molestation
			of an elderly person or disabled adult.
207			
	825.103(3)(c)	3rd	Exploiting an elderly person or
			disabled adult and property is
			valued at less than \$10,000.
208			
200	827.03(2)(c)	3rd	Abuse of a child.
209	827.03(2)(d)	3rd	Neglect of a child.
210	027.00(2)(4)	31 d	negreet of a chira.
	827.071(2) & (3)	2nd	Use or induce a child in a
			sexual performance, or promote
			or direct such performance.
211			
	836.05	2nd	Threats; extortion.
212	026 10	0 1	
	836.10	2nd	Written threats to kill or do
			bodily injury.

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213			
	843.12	3rd	Aids or assists person to
			escape.
214			
	847.011	3rd	Distributing, offering to
			distribute, or possessing with
			intent to distribute obscene
			materials depicting minors.
215			
	847.012	3rd	Knowingly using a minor in the
			production of materials harmful
			to minors.
216			
	847.0135(2)	3rd	Facilitates sexual conduct of or
			with a minor or the visual
			depiction of such conduct.
217			
	914.23	2nd	Retaliation against a witness,
			victim, or informant, with
010			bodily injury.
218	944.35(3)(a)2.	3rd	Committing maligious battory
	944.33(3)(a)2.	31 a	Committing malicious battery
			upon or inflicting cruel or inhuman treatment on an inmate
			or offender on community
			supervision, resulting in great
			Supervision, resulting in great

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210			bodily harm.
219	944.40	2nd	Escapes.
220	944.46	3rd	Harboring, concealing, aiding escaped prisoners.
221			escapea prisoners.
	944.47(1)(a)5.	2nd	Introduction of contraband  (firearm, weapon, or explosive)
222			into correctional facility.
	951.22(1)	3rd	<pre>Intoxicating drug, firearm, or weapon introduced into county facility.</pre>
223			
224	Section 6.	This act	shall take effect July 1, 2015.

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