1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to the Fish and Wildlife Conservation
3	Commission; amending s. 259.105, F.S.; providing
4	legislative findings; requiring lead land managing
5	agencies, in consultation with the Fish and Wildlife
6	Conservation Commission, to consider the use of state
7	lands as gopher tortoise recipient sites in certain
8	management plans; requiring certain management plans
9	to include feasibility assessments for managing gopher
10	tortoise recipient sites; authorizing owners of
11	certain lands to establish gopher tortoise recipient
12	sites or conservation banks on the lands under certain
13	conditions; requiring the commission to streamline and
14	improve the review of gopher tortoise recipient site
15	applications and approve or deny such applications
16	within a specified timeframe; requiring the commission
17	to encourage the establishment of gopher tortoise
18	recipient sites on private lands and to create an
19	online dashboard for certain gopher tortoise recipient
20	site information; requiring the commission to submit a
21	report on gopher tortoise recipient sites to the
22	Legislature by a specified date; providing report
23	requirements; amending s. 327.35215, F.S.; requiring
24	that certain forms relating to boating under the
25	influence be provided by the commission rather than
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26 the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; 27 amending s. 327.371, F.S.; authorizing certain 28 athletic teams to operate a human-powered vessel within the marked channel of the Florida Intracoastal 29 Waterway under certain conditions; requiring such 30 31 athletic teams to provide the commission with certain 32 notice; amending s. 327.4107, F.S.; revising the 33 vessel conditions that an officer of the commission or 34 a law enforcement agency may use to determine that a vessel is at risk of becoming derelict; amending s. 35 36 327.46, F.S.; prohibiting municipalities and counties 37 from designating public bathing beach or swim areas 38 within their jurisdictions on waters that include any 39 portion of the Florida Intracoastal Waterway or within 40 a specified distance of the marked channel of the 41 Florida Intracoastal Waterway; repealing s. 376.15, 42 F.S., relating to derelict vessels and the relocation 43 and removal of such vessels from the waters of this 44 state; amending s. 379.101, F.S.; revising the definitions of the terms "marine fish" and "saltwater 45 46 fish"; amending s. 705.101, F.S.; revising the 47 definition of the term "abandoned property" to include 48 vessels declared to be a public nuisance; amending s. 49 705.103, F.S.; clarifying the notice requirements and procedures for vessels declared to be public 50

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51 nuisances; amending s. 823.11, F.S.; making technical 52 changes; authorizing the commission to establish a 53 program to provide grants to local governments for 54 certain actions regarding derelict vessels and those declared to be a public nuisance; specifying sources 55 for the funds to be used, subject to an appropriation; 56 57 authorizing the commission to use funds not awarded as 58 grants for certain purposes; requiring the commission 59 to adopt rules for the grant applications and the criteria for allocating the funds; amending s. 934.50, 60 61 F.S.; providing that all employees of the commission or the Florida Forest Service may operate drones for 62 63 specified purposes; amending ss. 327.04, 327.352, 328.09, 328.72, and 376.11, F.S.; conforming 64 65 provisions to changes made by the act; repealing s. 66 25, chapter 2021-184, Laws of Florida, relating to 67 derelict vessels; reenacting ss. 125.01(4) and 68 379.2412, F.S., relating to powers and duties of 69 legislative and governing bodies of counties and state 70 preemption of the regulating of taking or possessing saltwater fish, respectively, to incorporate the 71 72 amendment made to s. 379.101, F.S., in references 73 thereto; providing effective dates. 74

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

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76 77 Section 1. Paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (2) of 78 section 259.105, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 259.105 The Florida Forever Act.-79 (2) (a) The Legislature finds and declares that: 80 81 1. Land acquisition programs have provided tremendous 82 financial resources for purchasing environmentally significant 83 lands to protect those lands from imminent development or 84 alteration, thereby ensuring present and future generations' 85 access to important waterways, open spaces, and recreation and 86 conservation lands. 2. The continued alteration and development of the state's 87 88 natural and rural areas to accommodate the state's growing 89 population have contributed to the degradation of water 90 resources, the fragmentation and destruction of wildlife 91 habitats, the loss of outdoor recreation space, and the 92 diminishment of wetlands, forests, working landscapes, and 93 coastal open space. The potential development of the state's remaining 94 3. 95 natural areas and escalation of land values require government 96 efforts to restore, bring under public protection, or acquire 97 lands and water areas to preserve the state's essential 98 ecological functions and invaluable guality of life. 99 It is essential to protect the state's ecosystems by 4. promoting a more efficient use of land, to ensure opportunities 100

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101 for viable agricultural activities on working lands, and to 102 promote vital rural and urban communities that support and 103 produce development patterns consistent with natural resource 104 protection.

105 5. The state's groundwater, surface waters, and springs are under tremendous pressure due to population growth and 106 107 economic expansion and require special protection and restoration efforts, including the protection of uplands and 108 109 springsheds that provide vital recharge to aquifer systems and are critical to the protection of water quality and water 110 111 quantity of the aquifers and springs. To ensure that sufficient quantities of water are available to meet the current and future 112 113 needs of the natural systems and citizens of the state, and 114 assist in achieving the planning goals of the department and the 115 water management districts, water resource development projects 116 on public lands, if compatible with the resource values of and 117 management objectives for the lands, are appropriate.

118 6. The needs of urban, suburban, and small communities in the state for high-quality outdoor recreational opportunities, 119 greenways, trails, and open space have not been fully met by 120 121 previous acquisition programs. Through such programs as the Florida Communities Trust and the Florida Recreation Development 122 123 Assistance Program, the state shall place additional emphasis on 124 acquiring, protecting, preserving, and restoring open space, 125 ecological greenways, and recreation properties within urban,

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126 suburban, and rural areas where pristine natural communities or 127 water bodies no longer exist because of the proximity of 128 developed property.

129 7. Many of the state's unique ecosystems, such as the 130 Florida Everglades, are facing ecological collapse due to the 131 state's burgeoning population growth and other economic 132 activities. To preserve these valuable ecosystems for future 133 generations, essential parcels of land must be acquired to 134 facilitate ecosystem restoration.

8. Access to public lands to support a broad range of outdoor recreational opportunities and the development of necessary infrastructure, if compatible with the resource values of and management objectives for such lands, promotes an appreciation for the state's natural assets and improves the quality of life.

141 9. Acquisition of lands, in fee simple, less than fee 142 interest, or other techniques shall be based on a comprehensive 143 science-based assessment of the state's natural resources which targets essential conservation lands by prioritizing all current 144 145 and future acquisitions based on a uniform set of data and 146 planned so as to protect the integrity and function of 147 ecological systems and working landscapes, and provide multiple 148 benefits, including preservation of fish and wildlife habitat, 149 recreation space for urban and rural areas, and the restoration of natural water storage, flow, and recharge. 150

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151 The state has embraced performance-based program 10. 152 budgeting as a tool to evaluate the achievements of publicly 153 funded agencies, build in accountability, and reward those 154 agencies which are able to consistently achieve quantifiable 155 goals. While previous and existing state environmental programs 156 have achieved varying degrees of success, few of these programs 157 can be evaluated as to the extent of their achievements, 158 primarily because performance measures, standards, outcomes, and 159 goals were not established at the outset. Therefore, the Florida 160 Forever program shall be developed and implemented in the context of measurable state goals and objectives. 161

11.a. The state must play a major role in the recovery and 162 management of its imperiled species through the acquisition, 163 164 restoration, enhancement, and management of ecosystems that can 165 support the major life functions of such species. It is the 166 intent of the Legislature to support local, state, and federal 167 programs that result in net benefit to imperiled species habitat 168 by providing public and private land owners meaningful 169 incentives for acquiring, restoring, managing, and repopulating 170 habitats for imperiled species. It is the further intent of the Legislature that public lands, both existing and to be acquired, 171 identified by the lead land managing agency, in consultation 172 173 with the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission for animals 174 or the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services for 175 plants, as habitat or potentially restorable habitat for

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176 imperiled species, be restored, enhanced, managed, and 177 repopulated as habitat for such species to advance the goals and 178 objectives of imperiled species management for conservation, 179 recreation, or both, consistent with the land management plan 180 without restricting other uses identified in the management plan. It is also the intent of the Legislature that of the 181 182 proceeds distributed pursuant to subsection (3), additional 183 consideration be given to acquisitions that achieve a 184 combination of conservation goals, including the restoration, 185 enhancement, management, or repopulation of habitat for imperiled species. The council, in addition to the criteria in 186 subsection (9), shall give weight to projects that include 187 188 acquisition, restoration, management, or repopulation of habitat 189 for imperiled species. The term "imperiled species" as used in 190 this chapter and chapter 253, means plants and animals that are 191 federally listed under the Endangered Species Act, or state-192 listed by the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission or the 193 Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services. As part of the 194 state's role, all state lands that have imperiled species 195 habitat shall include as a consideration in management plan development the restoration, enhancement, management, and 196 repopulation of such habitats. In addition, the lead land 197 managing agency of such state lands may use fees received from 198 199 public or private entities for projects to offset adverse impacts to imperiled species or their habitat in order to 200

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201 restore, enhance, manage, repopulate, or acquire land and to 202 implement land management plans developed under s. 253.034 or a 203 land management prospectus developed and implemented under this 204 chapter. Such fees shall be deposited into a foundation or fund 205 created by each land management agency under s. 379.223, s. 589.012, or s. 259.032(9)(c), to be used solely to restore, 206 207 manage, enhance, repopulate, or acquire imperiled species 208 habitat.

209 b. The Legislature recognizes that there have been 210 geographical and capacity constraints on available gopher 211 tortoise recipient sites that have coincided with increased 212 demands for such sites. The Legislature also recognizes that the 213 success of gopher tortoise conservation depends on participation 214 by privately owned lands and the use of appropriate public lands 215 for gopher tortoise and other imperiled species management and 216 recovery. To encourage adequate capacity for relocating gopher 217 tortoises, each lead land managing agency, in consultation with 218 the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, shall consider 219 the feasibility of using a portion of state lands as a gopher 220 tortoise recipient site in management plans for all state lands 221 under the management of the agency that are greater than 40 222 contiguous acres. If the lead land managing agency, in consultation with the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, 223 224 determines that gopher tortoise recipient site management does 225 not conflict with the primary management objectives of the

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226 lands, the management plan must contain a component prepared by 227 the agency or cooperatively with a Fish and Wildlife 228 Conservation Commission wildlife biologist that assesses the 229 feasibility of managing the lands as a recipient site for gopher 230 tortoises consistent with rules of the Fish and Wildlife 231 Conservation Commission. The feasibility assessment by the lead 232 land managing agency must also evaluate the economic feasibility 233 of establishing a gopher tortoise recipient site, including the 234 initial cost and recurring management costs of operating the 235 gopher tortoise recipient site consistent with the rules of the 236 Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission and the revenue 237 projections necessary to ensure the initial and recurring costs of establishing and perpetually maintaining the gopher tortoise 238 239 recipient site do not create an increased recurring expense for 240 the agency. 241 12. There is a need to change the focus and direction of

241 12. There is a need to change the focus and direction of 242 the state's major land acquisition programs and to extend 243 funding and bonding capabilities, so that future generations may 244 enjoy the natural resources of this state.

(b) The Legislature recognizes that acquisition of lands in fee simple is only one way to achieve the aforementioned goals and encourages the use of less-than-fee interests, other techniques, and the development of creative partnerships between governmental agencies and private landowners. Such partnerships may include those that advance the restoration, enhancement,

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2.51 management, or repopulation of imperiled species habitat on 252 state lands as provided for in subparagraph (a) 11. Easements 253 acquired pursuant to s. 570.71(2)(a) and (b), land protection 254 agreements, and nonstate funded tools such as rural land 255 stewardship areas, sector planning, gopher tortoise recipient 256 sites, and mitigation should be used, where appropriate, to 257 bring environmentally sensitive tracts under an acceptable level 258 of protection at a lower financial cost to the public, and to 259 provide private landowners with the opportunity to enjoy and 260 benefit from their property. The owner of lands where a 261 conservation easement or other less-than-fee interest has been 262 acquired by the board or another state agency or a regional or 263 local government may establish a recipient site or conservation 264 bank on the lands to advance the restoration, enhancement, 265 management, or repopulation of imperiled species habitat so long 266 as the recipient site or operation and maintenance of the 267 conservation bank does not interfere with the management plan 268 for the conservation easement and the landowner complies with 269 all state and federal permitting requirements for the recipient 270 site or conservation bank. 271 Section 2. (1) By December 31, 2022, the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission shall streamline and improve 272 273 the review of applications for public and private gopher 274 tortoise recipient sites. Requests for additional information 275 must be received by the applicant within 45 days after receipt

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276 of an application and the commission shall approve or deny a 277 complete application within 45 days after receipt of such 278 application. (2) By October 31, 2022, the Fish and Wildlife 279 280 Conservation Commission shall: 281 (a) Establish an ongoing effort to encourage the 282 establishment of new gopher tortoise recipient sites on private 283 lands throughout the state; and 284 (b) Update its permitting systems to create an online 285 dashboard to show permitted and available capacity for 286 reservations in permitted gopher tortoise recipient sites to 287 assist with the efficient relocation of gopher tortoises. 288 (3) By February 1, 2023, the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission shall submit a report to the President 289 290 of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives 291 that includes the following information: 292 The progress made in establishing new private and (a) 293 public gopher tortoise recipient sites; 294 (b) The average time it takes to approve or deny a 295 recipient site application once a complete application is 296 received; 297 (c) Any federal action taken to modify the listing of the 298 gopher tortoise under the Endangered Species Act; and 299 (d) Any other information relevant to the gopher tortoise 300 conservation program.

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301 Section 3. Subsection (2) of section 327.35215, Florida 302 Statutes, is amended to read:

327.35215 Penalty for failure to submit to test.-

304 (2) When a person refuses to submit to a blood test, 305 breath test, or urine test pursuant to s. 327.352, a law enforcement officer who is authorized to make arrests for 306 307 violations of this chapter shall file with the clerk of the 308 court, on a form provided by the commission department, a 309 certified statement that probable cause existed to arrest the person for a violation of s. 327.35 and that the person refused 310 311 to submit to a test as required by s. 327.352. Along with the 312 statement, the officer must also submit a sworn statement on a 313 form provided by the commission department that the person has 314 been advised of both the penalties for failure to submit to the 315 blood, breath, or urine test and the procedure for requesting a 316 hearing.

317 Section 4. Present paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of 318 section 327.371, Florida Statutes, is redesignated as paragraph 319 (d), and a new paragraph (c) is added to that subsection, to 320 read:

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327.371 Human-powered vessels regulated.-

322 (1) A person may operate a human-powered vessel within the
323 boundaries of the marked channel of the Florida Intracoastal
324 Waterway as defined in s. 327.02:

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(c) When participating in practices or competitions for

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326 interscholastic, intercollegiate, intramural, or club rowing 327 teams that are affiliated with an educational institution 328 identified in s. 1000.21, s. 1002.01(2), s. 1003.01(2), s. 329 1005.02(4), or s. 1005.03(1)(d) if the adjacent area outside of 330 the marked channel is not suitable for such practice or 331 competition. The teams must use their best efforts to make use 332 of the adjacent area outside of the marked channel. The 333 commission must be notified in writing of the details of any 334 such competition, and the notice must include, but need not be 335 limited to, the date, time, and location of the competition. 336 Section 5. Paragraph (f) is added to subsection (2) of 337 section 327.4107, Florida Statutes, to read: 338 327.4107 Vessels at risk of becoming derelict on waters of 339 this state.-340 (2) An officer of the commission or of a law enforcement 341 agency specified in s. 327.70 may determine that a vessel is at 342 risk of becoming derelict if any of the following conditions 343 exist: 344 The vessel is tied to an unlawful or unpermitted (f) 345 structure or mooring. 346 Section 6. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 327.46, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 347 348 327.46 Boating-restricted areas.-349 Boating-restricted areas, including, but not limited (1) to, restrictions of vessel speeds and vessel traffic, may be 350 Page 14 of 44

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351 established on the waters of this state for any purpose 352 necessary to protect the safety of the public if such 353 restrictions are necessary based on boating accidents, 354 visibility, hazardous currents or water levels, vessel traffic 355 congestion, or other navigational hazards or to protect 356 seagrasses on privately owned submerged lands.

(b) Municipalities and counties may establish the following boating-restricted areas by ordinance, including, notwithstanding the prohibition in s. 327.60(2)(c), within the portion of the Florida Intracoastal Waterway within their jurisdiction:

362 1. An ordinance establishing an idle speed, no wake
 363 boating-restricted area, if the area is:

a. Within 500 feet of any boat ramp, hoist, marine railway, or other launching or landing facility available for use by the general boating public on waterways more than 300 feet in width or within 300 feet of any boat ramp, hoist, marine railway, or other launching or landing facility available for use by the general boating public on waterways not exceeding 300 feet in width.

b. Within 500 feet of fuel pumps or dispensers at any marine fueling facility that sells motor fuel to the general boating public on waterways more than 300 feet in width or within 300 feet of the fuel pumps or dispensers at any licensed terminal facility that sells motor fuel to the general boating

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376	public on waterways not exceeding 300 feet in width.
377	c. Inside or within 300 feet of any lock structure.
378	2. An ordinance establishing a slow speed, minimum wake
379	boating-restricted area if the area is:
380	a. Within 300 feet of any bridge fender system.
381	b. Within 300 feet of any bridge span presenting a
382	vertical clearance of less than 25 feet or a horizontal
383	clearance of less than 100 feet.
384	c. On a creek, stream, canal, or similar linear waterway
385	if the waterway is less than 75 feet in width from shoreline to
386	shoreline.
387	d. On a lake or pond of less than 10 acres in total
388	surface area.
389	e. Within the boundaries of a permitted public mooring
390	field and a buffer around the mooring field of up to 100 feet.
391	3. An ordinance establishing a vessel-exclusion zone if
392	the area is:
393	a. Designated as a public bathing beach or swim area $\underline{,}$
394	except that public bathing beach or swim areas may not be
395	established on waters that include any portion of the Florida
396	Intracoastal Waterway or that are within 100 feet of the marked
397	channel of the Florida Intracoastal Waterway.
398	b. Within 300 feet of a dam, spillway, or flood control
399	structure.
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401 Vessel exclusion zones created pursuant to this subparagraph 402 must be marked with uniform waterway markers permitted by the 403 commission in accordance with this chapter. Such zones may not 404 be marked by ropes.

405 Section 7. <u>Section 376.15</u>, Florida Statutes, is repealed. 406 Section 8. Subsections (22) and (34) of section 379.101, 407 Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

408 379.101 Definitions.-In construing these statutes, where 409 the context does not clearly indicate otherwise, the word, 410 phrase, or term:

411 (22) "Marine fish" means any saltwater species of finfish 412 of the classes Agnatha, Chondrichthyes, and Osteichthyes, and 413 marine invertebrates <u>of</u> in the classes Gastropoda <u>and</u>, Bivalvia, 414 <u>the subphylum and</u> Crustacea, or the phylum Echinodermata; 415 <u>however</u>, <u>the term</u> but does not include nonliving shells or 416 echinoderms.

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(34) "Saltwater fish" means:

(a) Any saltwater species of finfish of the classes
Agnatha, Chondrichthyes, or Osteichthyes and marine
invertebrates of the classes Gastropoda <u>and</u>, Bivalvia, <u>the</u>
<u>subphylum</u> or Crustacea, or of the phylum Echinodermata; however,
<u>the term</u> but does not include nonliving shells or echinoderms;
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424 (b) All classes of pisces, shellfish, sponges, and
425 crustaceans crustacea native to salt water.

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426 Section 9. Subsection (3) of section 705.101, Florida 427 Statutes, is amended to read: 428 705.101 Definitions.-As used in this chapter: 429 (3) "Abandoned property" means all tangible personal property that does not have an identifiable owner and that has 430 431 been disposed on public property in a wrecked, inoperative, or 432 partially dismantled condition or has no apparent intrinsic 433 value to the rightful owner. The term includes derelict vessels 434 as defined in s. 823.11 and vessels declared a public nuisance 435 pursuant to s. 327.73(1)(aa). 436 Section 10. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) and subsection (4) of section 705.103, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 437 438 705.103 Procedure for abandoned or lost property.-439 (2) (a) 1. Whenever a law enforcement officer ascertains 440 that: 441 a. An article of lost or abandoned property other than a derelict vessel or a vessel declared a public nuisance pursuant 442 443 to s. 327.73(1)(aa) is present on public property and is of such 444 nature that it cannot be easily removed, the officer shall cause 445 a notice to be placed upon such article in substantially the 446 following form: 447 448 NOTICE TO THE OWNER AND ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ATTACHED PROPERTY. This property, to wit: ... (setting forth brief 449 description)... is unlawfully upon public property known as 450 Page 18 of 44

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451 ... (setting forth brief description of location) ... and must be 452 removed within 5 days; otherwise, it will be removed and 453 disposed of pursuant to chapter 705, Florida Statutes. The owner 454 will be liable for the costs of removal, storage, and 455 publication of notice. Dated this: ... (setting forth the date of posting of notice)..., signed: ... (setting forth name, title, 456 457 address, and telephone number of law enforcement officer).... 458 459 b. A derelict vessel or a vessel declared a public 460 nuisance pursuant to s. 327.73(1)(aa) is present on the waters 461 of this state, the officer shall cause a notice to be placed 462 upon such vessel in substantially the following form: 463 464 NOTICE TO THE OWNER AND ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ATTACHED 465 VESSEL. This vessel, to wit: ... (setting forth brief 466 description) ... has been determined to be ... (derelict or a 467 public nuisance)... and is unlawfully upon waters of this state 468 ... (setting forth brief description of location)... and must be 469 removed within 21 days; otherwise, it will be removed and 470 disposed of pursuant to chapter 705, Florida Statutes. The owner 471 and other interested parties have the right to a hearing to challenge the determination that this vessel is derelict or 472 473 otherwise in violation of the law. Please contact ... (contact 474 information for person who can arrange for a hearing in accordance with this section).... The owner or the party 475

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determined to be legally responsible for the vessel being upon the waters of this state in a derelict condition <u>or as a public</u> <u>nuisance</u> will be liable for the costs of removal, destruction, and disposal if this vessel is not removed by the owner. Dated this: ...(setting forth the date of posting of notice)..., signed: ...(setting forth name, title, address, and telephone number of law enforcement officer)....

484 2. The notices required under subparagraph 1. may not be 485 less than 8 inches by 10 inches and must shall be sufficiently 486 weatherproof to withstand normal exposure to the elements. In 487 addition to posting, the law enforcement officer shall make a 488 reasonable effort to ascertain the name and address of the 489 owner. If such is reasonably available to the officer, she or he 490 shall mail a copy of such notice to the owner on or before the 491 date of posting. If the property is a motor vehicle as defined 492 in s. 320.01(1) or a vessel as defined in s. 327.02, the law 493 enforcement agency shall contact the Department of Highway 494 Safety and Motor Vehicles in order to determine the name and 495 address of the owner and any person who has filed a lien on the 496 vehicle or vessel as provided in s. 319.27(2) or (3) or s. 497 328.15(1). On receipt of this information, the law enforcement 498 agency shall mail a copy of the notice by certified mail, return 499 receipt requested, to the owner and to the lienholder, if any, except that a law enforcement officer who has issued a citation 500

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for a violation of s. 376.15 or s. 823.11 to the owner of a derelict vessel is not required to mail a copy of the notice by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the owner. For a derelict vessel or a vessel declared a public nuisance pursuant to s. 327.73(1) (aa), the mailed notice must inform the owner or

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504 derelict vessel or a vessel declared a public nuisance pursuant 505 to s. 327.73(1)(aa), the mailed notice must inform the owner or 506 responsible party that he or she has a right to a hearing to 507 dispute the determination that the vessel is derelict or 508 otherwise in violation of the law. If a request for a hearing is 509 made, a state agency shall follow the processes set forth in s. 510 120.569. Local governmental entities shall follow the processes set forth in s. 120.569, except that a local judge, magistrate, 511 512 or code enforcement officer may be designated to conduct such a 513 hearing. If, at the end of 5 days after posting the notice in 514 sub-subparagraph 1.a., or at the end of 21 days after posting 515 the notice in sub-subparagraph 1.b., and mailing such notice, if 516 required, the owner or any person interested in the lost or 517 abandoned article or articles described has not removed the 518 article or articles from public property or shown reasonable 519 cause for failure to do so, and, in the case of a derelict 520 vessel or a vessel declared a public nuisance pursuant to s. 521 327.73(1) (aa), has not requested a hearing in accordance with 522 this section, the following shall apply:

a. For abandoned property other than a derelict vessel or
a vessel declared a public nuisance pursuant to s.
327.73(1)(aa), the law enforcement agency may retain any or all

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526 of the property for its own use or for use by the state or unit 527 of local government, trade such property to another unit of 528 local government or state agency, donate the property to a 529 charitable organization, sell the property, or notify the 530 appropriate refuse removal service. 531 b. For a derelict vessel or a vessel declared a public 532 nuisance pursuant to s. 327.73(1)(aa), the law enforcement 533 agency or its designee may: 534 (I) Remove the vessel from the waters of this state and 535 destroy and dispose of the vessel or authorize another 536 governmental entity or its designee to do so; or 537 Authorize the vessel's use as an artificial reef in (II)538 accordance with s. 379.249 if all necessary federal, state, and 539 local authorizations are received. 540 541 A law enforcement agency or its designee may also take action as 542 described in this sub-subparagraph if, following a hearing 543 pursuant to this section, the judge, magistrate, administrative 544 law judge, or hearing officer has determined the vessel to be 545 derelict as provided in s. 823.11 or otherwise in violation of the law in accordance with s. 327.73(1)(aa) and a final order 546 547 has been entered or the case is otherwise closed. 548 The owner of any abandoned or lost property, or in the (4) 549 case of a derelict vessel or a vessel declared a public nuisance pursuant to s. 327.73(1)(aa), the owner or other party 550

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551 determined to be legally responsible for the vessel being upon 552 the waters of this state in a derelict condition or as a public 553 nuisance, who, after notice as provided in this section, does not remove such property within the specified period is shall be 554 555 liable to the law enforcement agency, other governmental entity, 556 or the agency's or entity's designee for all costs of removal, 557 storage, and destruction, and disposal of such property, less any salvage value obtained by disposal of the property. Upon 558 559 final disposition of the property, the law enforcement officer 560 or representative of the law enforcement agency or other 561 governmental entity shall notify the owner or in the case of a 562 derelict vessel or vessel declared a public nuisance pursuant to 563 s. 327.73(1)(aa), the owner or other party determined to be 564 legally responsible, if known, of the amount owed. In the case 565 of an abandoned vessel or motor vehicle, any person who neglects 566 or refuses to pay such amount is not entitled to be issued a 567 certificate of registration for such vessel or motor vehicle, or 568 any other vessel or motor vehicle, until such costs have been 569 paid. A person who has neglected or refused to pay all costs of 570 removal, storage, disposal, and destruction of a vessel or motor vehicle as provided in this section, after having been provided 571 written notice via certified mail that such costs are owed, and 572 573 who applies for and is issued a registration for a vessel or 574 motor vehicle before such costs have been paid in full commits a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 575

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576 775.082 or s. 775.083. The law enforcement officer or 577 representative of the law enforcement agency or other 578 governmental entity shall supply the Department of Highway 579 Safety and Motor Vehicles with a list of persons whose vessel 580 registration privileges and motor vehicle privileges have been 581 revoked under this subsection. The department or a person acting 582 as an agent of the department may not issue a certificate of 583 registration to a person whose vessel and motor vehicle 584 registration privileges have been revoked, as provided by this 585 subsection, until such costs have been paid.

586 Section 11. Effective July 1, 2023, paragraph (a) of 587 subsection (2) of section 705.103, Florida Statutes, as amended 588 by chapters 2019-76 and 2021-184, Laws of Florida, is amended to 589 read:

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705.103 Procedure for abandoned or lost property.-

591 (2)(a)1. Whenever a law enforcement officer ascertains592 that:

a. An article of lost or abandoned property other than a derelict vessel or a vessel declared a public nuisance pursuant to s. 327.73(1)(aa) is present on public property and is of such nature that it cannot be easily removed, the officer shall cause a notice to be placed upon such article in substantially the following form:

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600 NOTICE TO THE OWNER AND ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ATTACHED

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601 PROPERTY. This property, to wit: ... (setting forth brief 602 description)... is unlawfully upon public property known as 603 ... (setting forth brief description of location) ... and must be 604 removed within 5 days; otherwise, it will be removed and 605 disposed of pursuant to chapter 705, Florida Statutes. The owner 606 will be liable for the costs of removal, storage, and 607 publication of notice. Dated this: ... (setting forth the date of posting of notice)..., signed: ... (setting forth name, title, 608 609 address, and telephone number of law enforcement officer)....

b. A derelict vessel or a vessel declared a public
nuisance pursuant to s. 327.73(1)(aa) is present on the waters
of this state, the officer shall cause a notice to be placed
upon such vessel in substantially the following form:

616 NOTICE TO THE OWNER AND ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ATTACHED 617 VESSEL. This vessel, to wit: ... (setting forth brief description 618 of location)... has been determined to be ... (derelict or a public nuisance)... and is unlawfully upon the waters of this 619 620 state ... (setting forth brief description of location)... and 621 must be removed within 21 days; otherwise, it will be removed 622 and disposed of pursuant to chapter 705, Florida Statutes. The 623 owner and other interested parties have the right to a hearing 624 to challenge the determination that this vessel is derelict or 625 otherwise in violation of the law. Please contact ... (contact

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626 information for person who can arrange for a hearing in 627 accordance with this section)... The owner or the party 628 determined to be legally responsible for the vessel being upon 629 the waters of this state in a derelict condition or as a public 630 nuisance will be liable for the costs of removal, destruction, 631 and disposal if this vessel is not removed by the owner. Dated 632 this: ... (setting forth the date of posting of notice)..., 633 signed: ... (setting forth name, title, address, and telephone 634 number of law enforcement officer)....

The notices required under subparagraph 1. may not be 636 2. 637 less than 8 inches by 10 inches and must shall be sufficiently 638 weatherproof to withstand normal exposure to the elements. In 639 addition to posting, the law enforcement officer shall make a 640 reasonable effort to ascertain the name and address of the 641 owner. If such is reasonably available to the officer, she or he 642 shall mail a copy of such notice to the owner on or before the 643 date of posting. If the property is a motor vehicle as defined 644 in s. 320.01(1) or a vessel as defined in s. 327.02, the law 645 enforcement agency shall contact the Department of Highway 646 Safety and Motor Vehicles in order to determine the name and 647 address of the owner and any person who has filed a lien on the 648 vehicle or vessel as provided in s. 319.27(2) or (3) or s. 649 328.15. On receipt of this information, the law enforcement agency shall mail a copy of the notice by certified mail, return 650

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651 receipt requested, to the owner and to the lienholder, if any, 652 except that a law enforcement officer who has issued a citation 653 for a violation of s. 376.15 or s. 823.11 to the owner of a 654 derelict vessel is not required to mail a copy of the notice by 655 certified mail, return receipt requested, to the owner. For a 656 derelict vessel or a vessel declared a public nuisance pursuant 657 to s. 327.73(1)(aa), the mailed notice must inform the owner or 658 responsible party that he or she has a right to a hearing to 659 dispute the determination that the vessel is derelict or 660 otherwise in violation of the law. If a request for a hearing is 661 made, a state agency shall follow the processes as set forth in 662 s. 120.569. Local governmental entities shall follow the 663 processes set forth in s. 120.569, except that a local judge, 664 magistrate, or code enforcement officer may be designated to 665 conduct such a hearing. If, at the end of 5 days after posting 666 the notice in sub-subparagraph 1.a., or at the end of 21 days 667 after posting the notice in sub-subparagraph 1.b., and mailing 668 such notice, if required, the owner or any person interested in 669 the lost or abandoned article or articles described has not 670 removed the article or articles from public property or shown 671 reasonable cause for failure to do so, and, in the case of a 672 derelict vessel or a vessel declared a public nuisance pursuant 673 to s. 327.73(1)(aa), has not requested a hearing in accordance 674 with this section, the following shall apply: 675 For abandoned property other than a derelict vessel or a.

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676 a vessel declared a public nuisance pursuant to s. 677 327.73(1) (aa), the law enforcement agency may retain any or all 678 of the property for its own use or for use by the state or unit 679 of local government, trade such property to another unit of 680 local government or state agency, donate the property to a 681 charitable organization, sell the property, or notify the 682 appropriate refuse removal service. 683 b. For a derelict vessel or a vessel declared a public 684 nuisance pursuant to s. 327.73(1)(aa), the law enforcement 685 agency or its designee may: Remove the vessel from the waters of this state and 686 (I) 687 destroy and dispose of the vessel or authorize another 688 governmental entity or its designee to do so; or 689 Authorize the vessel's use as an artificial reef in (II)690 accordance with s. 379.249 if all necessary federal, state, and 691 local authorizations are received. 692 693 A law enforcement agency or its designee may also take action as 694 described in this sub-subparagraph if, following a hearing 695 pursuant to this section, the judge, magistrate, administrative 696 law judge, or hearing officer has determined the vessel to be 697 derelict as provided in s. 823.11 or otherwise in violation of 698 the law in accordance with s. 327.73(1)(aa) and a final order 699 has been entered or the case is otherwise closed. 700 Section 12. Present subsections (4), (5), and (6) of Page 28 of 44

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701	section 823.11, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as
702	subsections (5), (6), and (7), respectively, a new subsection
703	(4) is added to that section, and subsection (1), paragraph (c)
704	of subsection (2), subsection (3), and present subsections (5)
705	and (6) of that section are amended, to read:
706	823.11 Derelict vessels; relocation or removal; penalty
707	(1) As used in this section and s. 376.15, the term:
708	(a) "Commission" means the Fish and Wildlife Conservation
709	Commission.
710	(b) "Derelict vessel" means a vessel, as defined in s.
711	327.02, that is:
712	1. In a wrecked, junked, or substantially dismantled
713	condition upon any waters of this state.
714	a. A vessel is wrecked if it is sunken or sinking; aground
715	without the ability to extricate itself absent mechanical
716	assistance; or remaining after a marine casualty, including, but
717	not limited to, a boating accident, extreme weather, or a fire.
718	b. A vessel is junked if it has been substantially
719	stripped of vessel components, if vessel components have
720	substantially degraded or been destroyed, or if the vessel has
721	been discarded by the owner or operator. Attaching an outboard
722	motor to a vessel that is otherwise junked will not cause the
723	vessel to no longer be junked if such motor is not an effective
724	means of propulsion as required by s. 327.4107(2)(e) and
725	associated rules.
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A vessel is substantially dismantled if at least two of 726 с. 727 the three following vessel systems or components are missing, 728 compromised, incomplete, inoperable, or broken: 729 The steering system; (I) 730 The propulsion system; or (II)731 The exterior hull integrity. (III) 732 733 Attaching an outboard motor to a vessel that is otherwise 734 substantially dismantled will not cause the vessel to no longer 735 be substantially dismantled if such motor is not an effective 736 means of propulsion as required by s. 327.4107(2)(e) and 737 associated rules. 738 2. At a port in this state without the consent of the 739 agency having jurisdiction thereof. 740 Docked, grounded, or beached upon the property of 3. 741 another without the consent of the owner of the property. 742 "Gross negligence" means conduct so reckless or (C) 743 wanting in care that it constitutes a conscious disregard or 744 indifference to the safety of the property exposed to such 745 conduct. 746 "Willful misconduct" means conduct evidencing (d) 747 carelessness or negligence of such a degree or recurrence as to 748 manifest culpability, wrongful intent, or evil design or to show 749 an intentional and substantial disregard of the interests of the 750 vessel owner.

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(c) <u>The additional time provided in subparagraph (b)2. for</u> an owner or responsible party to remove a derelict vessel from the waters of this state or to repair and remedy the vessel's derelict condition <u>This subsection</u> does not apply to a vessel that was derelict upon the waters of this state before the stated accident or event.

758 The commission, an officer of the commission, or a law (3) 759 enforcement agency or officer specified in s. 327.70 may 760 relocate, remove, and store, destroy, or dispose of or cause to be relocated, removed, and stored, destroyed, or disposed of a 761 762 derelict vessel from waters of this state as defined in s. 763 327.02 if the derelict vessel obstructs or threatens to obstruct 764 navigation or in any way constitutes a danger to the 765 environment, property, or persons. The commission, an officer of 766 the commission, or any other law enforcement agency or officer 767 acting pursuant to this subsection to relocate, remove, and 768 store, destroy, dispose of or cause to be relocated, removed, 769 and stored, destroyed, or disposed of a derelict vessel from 770 waters of this state shall be held harmless for all damages to 771 the derelict vessel resulting from such action unless the damage 772 results from gross negligence or willful misconduct.

773 (a) Removal of derelict vessels under this subsection may
774 be funded by grants provided in ss. 206.606 and 376.15. The
775 commission shall implement a plan for the procurement of any

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776 available federal disaster funds and use such funds for the 777 removal of derelict vessels.

778 (a) (b) All costs, including costs owed to a third party, 779 incurred by the commission, another law enforcement agency, or a 780 governmental subdivision, when the governmental subdivision has 781 received authorization from a law enforcement officer or agency, 782 in the relocation, removal, storage, destruction, or disposal of 783 a derelict vessel are recoverable against the vessel owner or 784 the party determined to be legally responsible for the vessel 785 being upon the waters of this state in a derelict condition. The 786 Department of Legal Affairs shall represent the commission in 787 actions to recover such costs. As provided in s. 705.103(4), a 788 person who neglects or refuses to pay such costs may not be 789 issued a certificate of registration for such vessel or for any 790 other vessel or motor vehicle until such costs have been paid. A 791 person who has neglected or refused to pay all costs of removal, 792 storage, destruction, or disposal of a derelict vessel as 793 provided in this section, after having been provided written 794 notice via certified mail that such costs are owed, and who 795 applies for and is issued a registration for a vessel or motor 796 vehicle before such costs have been paid in full commits a 797 misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083. 798

799 <u>(b)</u> (c) A contractor performing such activities at the 800 direction of the commission, an officer of the commission, a law

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801 enforcement agency or officer, or a governmental subdivision, 802 when the governmental subdivision has received authorization for 803 the relocation or removal from a law enforcement officer or 804 agency, pursuant to this section must be licensed in accordance 805 with applicable United States Coast Guard regulations where 806 required; obtain and carry in full force and effect a policy 807 from a licensed insurance carrier in this state to insure against any accident, loss, injury, property damage, or other 808 809 casualty caused by or resulting from the contractor's actions; and be properly equipped to perform the services to be provided. 810 (4) (a) Removal of derelict vessels under this subsection 811 812 may be funded by grants provided in s. 206.606. The commission may implement a plan for the 813 (b) 814 procurement of any available federal disaster funds and use such 815 funds for the removal of derelict vessels. 816 (C) The commission may establish a program to provide 817 grants to local governments for the removal, storage, 818 destruction, and disposal of derelict vessels from the waters of 819 this state. This grant funding may also be used for the removal, storage, destruction, and disposal of vessels declared a public 820 nuisance pursuant to s. 327.73(1)(aa). The program must be 821 822 funded from the Marine Resources Conservation Trust Fund or the 823 Florida Coastal Protection Trust Fund. Notwithstanding s. 216.181(11), funds available for these grants may only be 824 825 authorized by appropriations acts of the Legislature. In a given

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826 fiscal year, if all funds appropriated pursuant to this 827 paragraph are not requested by and granted to local governments 828 for the removal, storage, destruction, and disposal of derelict 829 vessels or vessels declared a public nuisance pursuant to s. 830 327.73(1) (aa) by the end of the third quarter, the Fish and 831 Wildlife Conservation Commission may use the remainder of the 832 funds to remove, store, destroy, and dispose of, or to pay 833 private contractors to remove, store, destroy, and dispose of, 834 derelict vessels or vessels declared a public nuisance pursuant to s. 327.73(1)(aa). The commission shall adopt by rule 835 836 procedures for local governments to submit a grant application 837 and criteria for allocating available funds. Such criteria must 838 include, at a minimum, the following: 839 1. The number of derelict vessels within the jurisdiction 840 of the applicant. 841 2. The threat posed by such vessels to public health or 842 safety, the environment, navigation, or the aesthetic condition 843 of the general vicinity. 844 3. The degree of commitment of the local government to 845 maintain waters free of abandoned and derelict vessels and to 846 seek legal action against those who abandon vessels in the 847 waters of this state as defined in s. 327.02. 848 (6) (5) A person, firm, or corporation violating this 849 section commits a misdemeanor of the first degree and shall be punished as provided by law. A conviction under this section 850

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does not bar the assessment and collection of <u>a</u> the civil penalty provided in s. 376.16 for violation of s. 376.15. The court having jurisdiction over the criminal offense, notwithstanding any jurisdictional limitations on the amount in controversy, may order the imposition of such civil penalty in addition to any sentence imposed for the first criminal offense.

857 (7) (6) If an owner or a responsible party of a vessel 858 determined to be derelict through an administrative or criminal 859 proceeding has been charged by an officer of the commission or 860 any law enforcement agency or officer as specified in s. 327.70 under subsection (5) for a violation of subsection (2) $\frac{1}{2}$ 861 862 violation of s. 376.15(2), a person may not reside or dwell on 863 such vessel until the vessel is removed from the waters of the 864 state permanently or returned to the waters of the state in a 865 condition that is no longer derelict.

866 Section 13. Paragraph (p) of subsection (4) of section867 934.50, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

934.50 Searches and seizure using a drone.-

869 (4) EXCEPTIONS.-This section does not prohibit the use of 870 a drone:

(p) By <u>an</u> a non-law enforcement employee of the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission or of the Florida Forest Service for the purposes of managing and eradicating invasive exotic plants or animals on public lands and suppressing and mitigating wildfire threats.

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876 Section 14. Section 327.04, Florida Statutes, is amended 877 to read: 878 327.04 Rules.-The commission may adopt rules pursuant to 879 ss. 120.536(1) and 120.54 to implement this chapter, the 880 provisions of chapter 705 relating to vessels, and s. ss. 376.15 881 and 823.11 conferring powers or duties upon it. 882 Section 15. Paragraphs (a) and (c) of subsection (1) of 883 section 327.352, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 884 327.352 Tests for alcohol, chemical substances, or 885 controlled substances; implied consent; refusal.-886 (1)(a)1.The Legislature declares that the operation of a 887 vessel is a privilege that must be exercised in a reasonable 888 manner. In order to protect the public health and safety, it is 889 essential that a lawful and effective means of reducing the 890 incidence of boating while impaired or intoxicated be 891 established. Therefore, a person who accepts the privilege 892 extended by the laws of this state of operating a vessel within 893 this state is, by operating such vessel, deemed to have given 894 his or her consent to submit to an approved chemical test or 895 physical test including, but not limited to, an infrared light 896 test of his or her breath for the purpose of determining the 897 alcoholic content of his or her blood or breath if the person is lawfully arrested for any offense allegedly committed while the 898 899 person was operating a vessel while under the influence of alcoholic beverages. The chemical or physical breath test must 900

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901 be incidental to a lawful arrest and administered at the request 902 of a law enforcement officer who has reasonable cause to believe 903 such person was operating the vessel within this state while 904 under the influence of alcoholic beverages. The administration 905 of a breath test does not preclude the administration of another 906 type of test. The person must shall be told that his or her 907 failure to submit to any lawful test of his or her breath under this chapter will result in a civil penalty of \$500, and shall 908 909 also be told that if he or she refuses to submit to a lawful 910 test of his or her breath and he or she has been previously 911 fined under s. 327.35215 or his or her driving privilege has 912 been previously had his or her driver license suspended for 913 refusal to submit to any lawful test of his or her breath, 914 urine, or blood, he or she commits a misdemeanor of the first 915 degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083, in 916 addition to any other penalties provided by law. The refusal to 917 submit to a chemical or physical breath test upon the request of 918 a law enforcement officer as provided in this section is 919 admissible into evidence in any criminal proceeding.

2. A person who accepts the privilege extended by the laws of this state of operating a vessel within this state is, by operating such vessel, deemed to have given his or her consent to submit to a urine test for the purpose of detecting the presence of chemical substances as set forth in s. 877.111 or controlled substances if the person is lawfully arrested for any

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926 offense allegedly committed while the person was operating a vessel while under the influence of chemical substances or 927 928 controlled substances. The urine test must be incidental to a 929 lawful arrest and administered at a detention facility or any 930 other facility, mobile or otherwise, which is equipped to 931 administer such tests at the request of a law enforcement 932 officer who has reasonable cause to believe such person was 933 operating a vessel within this state while under the influence 934 of chemical substances or controlled substances. The urine test 935 must shall be administered at a detention facility or any other 936 facility, mobile or otherwise, which is equipped to administer 937 such test in a reasonable manner that will ensure the accuracy 938 of the specimen and maintain the privacy of the individual involved. The administration of a urine test does not preclude 939 940 the administration of another type of test. The person must 941 shall be told that his or her failure to submit to any lawful 942 test of his or her urine under this chapter will result in a 943 civil penalty of \$500, and shall also be told that if he or she 944 refuses to submit to a lawful test of his or her urine and he or 945 she has been previously fined under s. 327.35215 or his or her 946 driving privilege has been previously had his or her driver 947 license suspended for refusal to submit to any lawful test of his or her breath, urine, or blood, he or she commits a 948 949 misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083, in addition to any other penalties 950

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951 provided by law. The refusal to submit to a urine test upon the 952 request of a law enforcement officer as provided in this section 953 is admissible into evidence in any criminal proceeding.

954 (C) A person who accepts the privilege extended by the 955 laws of this state of operating a vessel within this state is, 956 by operating such vessel, deemed to have given his or her 957 consent to submit to an approved blood test for the purpose of 958 determining the alcoholic content of the blood or a blood test 959 for the purpose of determining the presence of chemical 960 substances or controlled substances as provided in this section 961 if there is reasonable cause to believe the person was operating 962 a vessel while under the influence of alcoholic beverages or 963 chemical or controlled substances and the person appears for 964 treatment at a hospital, clinic, or other medical facility and 965 the administration of a breath or urine test is impractical or 966 impossible. As used in this paragraph, the term "other medical 967 facility" includes an ambulance or other medical emergency 968 vehicle. The blood test shall be performed in a reasonable 969 manner. A person who is incapable of refusal by reason of 970 unconsciousness or other mental or physical condition is deemed 971 not to have withdrawn his or her consent to such test. A person who is capable of refusal must shall be told that his or her 972 973 failure to submit to such a blood test will result in a civil 974 penalty of \$500. The refusal to submit to a blood test upon the 975 request of a law enforcement officer is shall be admissible in

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976	evidence in any criminal proceeding.														
977	Section 16. Subsection (4) of section 328.09, Florida														
978	Statutes, is amended to read:														
979	328.09 Refusal to issue and authority to cancel a														
980	certificate of title or registration														
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983	public nuisance by a law enforcement officer under <u>s.</u>														
984	<u>327.73(1)(aa)</u> s. 376.15 or s. 823.11. A law enforcement officer														
985	must inform the department in writing, which may be provided by														
986	facsimile, electronic mail, or other electronic means, of the														
987	vessel's derelict <u>or public nuisance</u> status and supply the														
988	department with the vessel title number or vessel identification														
989	number. The department may issue a certificate of title once a														
990	law enforcement officer has verified in writing, which may be														
991	provided by facsimile, electronic mail, or other electronic														
992	means, that the vessel is no longer a derelict <u>or a public</u>														
993	<u>nuisance</u> vessel.														
994	Section 17. Section 25 of chapter 2021-184, Laws of														
995	Florida, is repealed.														
996	Section 18. Paragraph (c) of subsection (15) of section														
997	328.72, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:														
998	328.72 Classification; registration; fees and charges;														
999	surcharge; disposition of fees; fines; marine turtle stickers														
1000	(15) DISTRIBUTION OF FEESExcept as provided in this														

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1001 subsection, moneys designated for the use of the counties, as 1002 specified in subsection (1), shall be distributed by the tax 1003 collector to the board of county commissioners for use only as 1004 provided in this section. Such moneys to be returned to the 1005 counties are for the sole purposes of providing, maintaining, or 1006 operating recreational channel marking and other uniform 1007 waterway markers, public boat ramps, lifts, and hoists, marine 1008 railways, boat piers, docks, mooring buoys, and other public 1009 launching facilities; and removing derelict vessels, debris that 1010 specifically impedes boat access, not including the dredging of 1011 channels, and vessels and floating structures deemed a hazard to 1012 public safety and health for failure to comply with s. 327.53. 1013 Counties shall demonstrate through an annual detailed accounting 1014 report of vessel registration revenues that the registration 1015 fees were spent as provided in this subsection. This report 1016 shall be provided to the Fish and Wildlife Conservation 1017 Commission no later than November 1 of each year. If, before 1018 January 1 of each calendar year, the accounting report meeting 1019 the prescribed criteria has still not been provided to the 1020 commission, the tax collector of that county may not distribute 1021 the moneys designated for the use of counties, as specified in 1022 subsection (1), to the board of county commissioners but shall, 1023 for the next calendar year, remit such moneys to the state for 1024 deposit into the Marine Resources Conservation Trust Fund. The commission shall return those moneys to the county if the county 1025

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fully complies with this section within that calendar year. If the county does not fully comply with this section within that calendar year, the moneys shall remain within the Marine Resources Trust Fund and may be appropriated for the purposes specified in this subsection.

1031 (c) From the vessel registration fees designated for use 1032 by the counties in subsection (1), the following amounts shall 1033 be remitted to the state for deposit into the Marine Resources 1034 Conservation Trust Fund to fund derelict vessel removal grants, 1035 as appropriated by the Legislature pursuant to <u>s. 823.11(4)(c)</u> 1036 $\frac{s. 376.15}{10}$:

1037 1. Class A-2: \$0.25 for each 12-month period registered. 2. 1038 Class 1: \$2.06 for each 12-month period registered. 1039 3. Class 2: \$9.26 for each 12-month period registered. 1040 Class 3: \$16.45 for each 12-month period registered. 4. 1041 5. Class 4: \$20.06 for each 12-month period registered. 1042 Class 5: \$25.46 for each 12-month period registered. 6. 1043 Section 19. Paragraph (h) of subsection (6) of section 1044 376.11, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 1045 376.11 Florida Coastal Protection Trust Fund.-1046 (6) Moneys in the Florida Coastal Protection Trust Fund 1047 may be used for the following purposes: 1048 The funding of a grant program to local governments, (h)

1049 pursuant to <u>s. 823.11(4)(c)</u> s. 376.15(3)(d) and (e), for the 1050 removal of derelict <u>and public nuisance</u> vessels from the public

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1051 waters of the state.

Section 20. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 379.101, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, subsection (4) of section 125.01, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

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125.01 Powers and duties.-

1057 The legislative and governing body of a county shall (4) 1058 not have the power to regulate the taking or possession of 1059 saltwater fish, as defined in s. 379.101, with respect to the method of taking, size, number, season, or species. However, 1060 1061 this subsection does not prohibit a county from prohibiting, for reasons of protecting the public health, safety, or welfare, 1062 1063 saltwater fishing from real property owned by that county, nor 1064 does it prohibit the imposition of excise taxes by county 1065 ordinance.

Section 21. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 379.101, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, section 379.2412, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

1070 379.2412 State preemption of power to regulate.—The power 1071 to regulate the taking or possession of saltwater fish, as 1072 defined in s. 379.101, is expressly reserved to the state. This 1073 section does not prohibit a local government from prohibiting, 1074 for reasons of protecting the public health, safety, or welfare, 1075 saltwater fishing from real property owned by that local

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1076 government. 1077 Section 22. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this 1078 act, this act shall take effect July 1, 2022.

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