1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to operation and safety of motor
3	vehicles and vessels; amending ss. 316.1932 and
4	316.1939, F.S.; revising conditions under which a
5	person's driving privilege is suspended and under
6	which the person commits a misdemeanor relating to
7	tests for alcohol, chemical substances, or controlled
8	substances; specifying such misdemeanor as a
9	misdemeanor of the first degree; amending s. 327.02,
10	F.S.; defining the term "human-powered vessel";
11	revising the definition of the term "navigation
12	rules"; amending s. 327.04, F.S.; providing additional
13	rulemaking authority to the Fish and Wildlife
14	Conservation Commission; creating s. 327.462, F.S.;
15	providing definitions; authorizing heads of certain
16	entities to establish temporary protection zones in
17	certain water bodies for certain purposes; providing
18	protection zone requirements; requiring the heads of
19	certain entities to report the establishment of such
20	protection zones to the commission and to the
21	appropriate United States Coast Guard Sector Command;
22	providing requirements for such report; providing
23	applicability; providing penalties; amending ss.
24	327.352 and 327.359, F.S.; revising conditions under
25	which a person commits a misdemeanor of the first

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26	degree; creating s. 327.371, F.S.; providing
27	circumstances under which a person may operate a
28	human-powered vessel within the boundaries of the
29	marked channel of the Florida Intracoastal Waterway;
30	providing a penalty; amending s. 327.391, F.S.;
31	conforming cross-references; amending s. 327.395,
32	F.S.; prohibiting all persons, beginning on a
33	specified date, from operating a vessel powered by a
34	motor of 10 horsepower or greater unless the person
35	has certain documents in his or her possession aboard
36	the vessel; removing authority of the commission to
37	appoint certain entities to administer a boating
38	safety education course or temporary certificate
39	examination and issue certain credentials; exempting
40	certain persons from the requirement to possess
41	certain documents aboard a vessel; revising the
42	service fee amount certain entities that issue boating
43	safety identification cards and temporary certificates
44	are authorized to charge and keep; amending s.
45	327.4107, F.S.; authorizing certain officers to
46	provide notice that a vessel is at risk of becoming
47	derelict via body camera recordings; authorizing the
48	commission or certain officers to relocate at-risk
49	vessels to a certain distance from mangroves or
50	vegetation; providing that the commission or officers

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51 are not liable for damages to such vessels; providing 52 an exception; authorizing the commission to establish 53 a derelict vessel prevention program consisting of certain components; authorizing the commission to 54 55 adopt rules; providing that such program is subject to 56 appropriation by the Legislature; providing for 57 funding; amending s. 327.4108, F.S.; designating 58 Monroe County as an anchoring limitation area subject 59 to certain requirements; requiring the commission to adopt rules; providing applicability; deleting 60 obsolete language; amending s. 327.4109, F.S.; 61 62 prohibiting the anchoring or mooring of a vessel or floating structure within a certain distance of 63 64 certain facilities; providing exceptions; amending s. 327.45, F.S.; including specified spring groups and 65 runs in spring protection zones; authorizing the 66 67 commission to establish by rule spring protection zones that prohibit the anchoring, mooring, beaching, 68 69 or grounding of vessels; amending s. 327.46, F.S.; authorizing a county or municipality to establish a 70 71 boating-restricted area within and around a public 72 mooring field; creating s. 327.463, F.S.; specifying conditions under which a vessel is and is not 73 operating at slow speed, minimum wake; prohibiting a 74 75 person from operating a vessel faster than slow speed,

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76	minimum wake within a certain distance from other
77	specified vessels; exempting a person from being cited
78	for a violation under certain circumstances; providing
79	penalties; providing applicability; amending s.
80	327.50, F.S.; authorizing the commission to exempt
81	vessel owners and operators from certain safety
82	equipment requirements; amending s. 327.53, F.S.;
83	requiring the owner or operator of a live-aboard
84	vessel or houseboat equipped with certain sanitation
85	devices to maintain a record of the date and location
86	of each pumpout of the device for a certain period;
87	providing applicability; amending s. 327.54, F.S.;
88	prohibiting a livery from leasing, hiring, or renting
89	a vessel to a person required to complete a
90	commission-approved boating safety education course
91	unless such person presents certain documentation
92	indicating compliance; amending s. 327.60, F.S.;
93	authorizing a local government to enact and enforce
94	regulations allowing the local law enforcement agency
95	to remove an abandoned or lost vessel affixed to a
96	public mooring; amending s. 327.73, F.S.; providing
97	additional violations that qualify as noncriminal
98	infractions; providing civil penalties; prohibiting
99	conviction of a person cited for a violation relating
100	to possessing proof of boating safety education under

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101 certain circumstances; increasing certain civil 102 penalties; providing that certain vessels shall be 103 declared a public nuisance subject to certain 104 statutory provisions; authorizing the commission or 105 certain officers to relocate or remove public nuisance 106 vessels from the waters of this state; providing that 107 the commission or officers are not liable for damages 108 to such vessels; providing an exception; amending s. 109 328.09, F.S.; prohibiting the Department of Highway 110 Safety and Motor Vehicles from issuing a certificate 111 of title to an applicant for a vessel that has been 112 deemed derelict pursuant to certain provisions; 113 authorizing the department, at a later date, to reject 114 an application for a certificate of title for such a 115 vessel; amending s. 376.15, F.S.; revising unlawful 116 acts relating to derelict vessels; defining the term 117 "leave"; prohibiting an owner or operator whose vessel 118 becomes derelict due to specified accidents or events 119 from being charged with a violation under certain circumstances; providing applicability; conforming 120 121 provisions to changes made by the act; authorizing a 122 governmental subdivision that has received 123 authorization from a law enforcement officer or agency 124 to direct a contractor to perform vessel storage, 125 destruction, and disposal activities; authorizing the

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126	commission to provide local government grants for the
127	storage, destruction, and disposal of derelict
128	vessels; providing for funding; amending s. 705.103,
129	F.S.; providing notice procedures for when a law
130	enforcement officer ascertains that a derelict or
131	public nuisance vessel is present on the waters of
132	this state; requiring a mailed notice to the owner or
133	party responsible for the vessel to inform him or her
134	of the right to a hearing; providing hearing
135	requirements; authorizing a law enforcement agency to
136	take certain actions if a hearing is not requested or
137	a vessel is determined to be derelict or otherwise in
138	violation of law; revising provisions relating to
139	liability for vessel removal costs and notification of
140	the amount owed; providing penalties for a person who
141	is issued a registration for a vessel or motor vehicle
142	before such costs are paid; requiring persons whose
143	vessel registration and motor vehicle privileges have
144	been revoked for failure to pay certain costs to be
145	reported to the department; prohibiting issuance of a
146	certificate of registration to such persons until such
147	costs are paid; amending s. 823.11, F.S.; revising
148	application of definitions; revising the definition of
149	the term "derelict vessel"; specifying requirements
150	for a vessel to be considered wrecked, junked, or

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151	substantially dismantled; providing construction;
152	revising unlawful acts relating to derelict vessels;
153	defining the term "leave"; prohibiting an owner or
154	operator whose vessel becomes derelict due to
155	specified accidents or events from being charged with
156	a violation under certain circumstances; providing
157	applicability; providing that relocation or removal
158	costs incurred by a governmental subdivision are
159	recoverable against the vessel owner or the party
160	determined to be legally responsible for the vessel
161	being derelict; providing penalties for a person who
162	is issued a registration for a vessel or motor vehicle
163	before such costs are paid; authorizing a governmental
164	subdivision that has received authorization from a law
165	enforcement officer or agency to direct a contractor
166	to perform vessel relocation or removal activities;
167	providing effective dates.
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169	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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171	Section 1. Paragraphs (a) and (c) of subsection (1) of
172	section 316.1932, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
173	316.1932 Tests for alcohol, chemical substances, or
174	controlled substances; implied consent; refusal

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175 (1) (a) 1.a. A Any person who accepts the privilege extended 176 by the laws of this state of operating a motor vehicle within 177 this state is, by so operating such vehicle, deemed to have 178 given his or her consent to submit to an approved chemical test 179 or physical test including, but not limited to, an infrared 180 light test of his or her breath for the purpose of determining the alcoholic content of his or her blood or breath if the 181 person is lawfully arrested for any offense allegedly committed 182 183 while the person was driving or was in actual physical control of a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcoholic 184 beverages. The chemical or physical breath test must be 185 186 incidental to a lawful arrest and administered at the request of 187 a law enforcement officer who has reasonable cause to believe 188 such person was driving or was in actual physical control of the 189 motor vehicle within this state while under the influence of 190 alcoholic beverages. The administration of a breath test does 191 not preclude the administration of another type of test. The 192 person shall be told that his or her failure to submit to any 193 lawful test of his or her breath will result in the suspension 194 of the person's privilege to operate a motor vehicle for a 195 period of 1 year for a first refusal, or for a period of 18 196 months if the driving privilege of such person has been previously suspended or if he or she has previously been fined 197 198 under s. 327.35215 as a result of a refusal to submit to such a 199 test or tests required under this chapter or chapter 327, and

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200 shall also be told that if he or she refuses to submit to a 201 lawful test of his or her breath and his or her driving 202 privilege has been previously suspended or if he or she has 203 previously been fined under s. 327.35215 for a prior refusal to 204 submit to a lawful test of his or her breath, urine, or blood as 205 required under this chapter or chapter 327, he or she commits a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 206 207 775.082 or s. 775.083, in addition to any other penalties 208 provided by law. The refusal to submit to a chemical or physical 209 breath test upon the request of a law enforcement officer as provided in this section is admissible into evidence in any 210 211 criminal proceeding.

A Any person who accepts the privilege extended by the 212 b. 213 laws of this state of operating a motor vehicle within this 214 state is, by so operating such vehicle, deemed to have given his 215 or her consent to submit to a urine test for the purpose of 216 detecting the presence of chemical substances as set forth in s. 217 877.111 or controlled substances if the person is lawfully 218 arrested for any offense allegedly committed while the person 219 was driving or was in actual physical control of a motor vehicle 220 while under the influence of chemical substances or controlled 221 substances. The urine test must be incidental to a lawful arrest and administered at a detention facility or any other facility, 222 mobile or otherwise, which is equipped to administer such tests 223 224 at the request of a law enforcement officer who has reasonable

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225 cause to believe such person was driving or was in actual 226 physical control of a motor vehicle within this state while 227 under the influence of chemical substances or controlled 228 substances. The urine test shall be administered at a detention facility or any other facility, mobile or otherwise, which is 229 230 equipped to administer such test in a reasonable manner that 231 will ensure the accuracy of the specimen and maintain the 232 privacy of the individual involved. The administration of a urine test does not preclude the administration of another type 233 234 of test. The person shall be told that his or her failure to 235 submit to any lawful test of his or her urine will result in the 236 suspension of the person's privilege to operate a motor vehicle 237 for a period of 1 year for the first refusal, or for a period of 238 18 months if the driving privilege of such person has been 239 previously suspended or if he or she has previously been fined 240 under s. 327.35215 as a result of a refusal to submit to such a 241 test or tests required under this chapter or chapter 327, and 242 shall also be told that if he or she refuses to submit to a 243 lawful test of his or her urine and his or her driving privilege 244 has been previously suspended or if he or she has previously been fined under s. 327.35215 for a prior refusal to submit to a 245 246 lawful test of his or her breath, urine, or blood as required under this chapter or chapter 327, he or she commits a 247 misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 248 249 775.082 or s. 775.083, in addition to any other penalties

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250 <u>provided by law</u>. The refusal to submit to a urine test upon the 251 request of a law enforcement officer as provided in this section 252 is admissible into evidence in any criminal proceeding.

253 The Alcohol Testing Program within the Department of 2. 254 Law Enforcement is responsible for the regulation of the 255 operation, inspection, and registration of breath test 256 instruments utilized under the driving and boating under the influence provisions and related provisions located in this 257 chapter and chapters 322 and 327. The program is responsible for 258 259 the regulation of the individuals who operate, inspect, and 260 instruct on the breath test instruments utilized in the driving 261 and boating under the influence provisions and related provisions located in this chapter and chapters 322 and 327. The 262 263 program is further responsible for the regulation of blood 264 analysts who conduct blood testing to be utilized under the 265 driving and boating under the influence provisions and related 266 provisions located in this chapter and chapters 322 and 327. The 267 program shall:

a. Establish uniform criteria for the issuance of permits
to breath test operators, agency inspectors, instructors, blood
analysts, and instruments.

b. Have the authority to permit breath test operators,
agency inspectors, instructors, blood analysts, and instruments.

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c. Have the authority to discipline and suspend, revoke,
or renew the permits of breath test operators, agency
inspectors, instructors, blood analysts, and instruments.

d. Establish uniform requirements for instruction and
curricula for the operation and inspection of approved
instruments.

e. Have the authority to specify one approved curriculumfor the operation and inspection of approved instruments.

f. Establish a procedure for the approval of breath testoperator and agency inspector classes.

g. Have the authority to approve or disapprove breath test instruments and accompanying paraphernalia for use pursuant to the driving and boating under the influence provisions and related provisions located in this chapter and chapters 322 and 327.

h. With the approval of the executive director of the
Department of Law Enforcement, make and enter into contracts and
agreements with other agencies, organizations, associations,
corporations, individuals, or federal agencies as are necessary,
expedient, or incidental to the performance of duties.

i. Issue final orders which include findings of fact and
 conclusions of law and which constitute final agency action for
 the purpose of chapter 120.

296 j. Enforce compliance with the provisions of this section
 297 through civil or administrative proceedings.

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298 k. Make recommendations concerning any matter within the 299 purview of this section, this chapter, chapter 322, or chapter 300 327.

Promulgate rules for the administration and
 implementation of this section, including definitions of terms.

303 m. Consult and cooperate with other entities for the 304 purpose of implementing the mandates of this section.

305 n. Have the authority to approve the type of blood test 306 utilized under the driving and boating under the influence 307 provisions and related provisions located in this chapter and 308 chapters 322 and 327.

o. Have the authority to specify techniques and methods
for breath alcohol testing and blood testing utilized under the
driving and boating under the influence provisions and related
provisions located in this chapter and chapters 322 and 327.

313 p. Have the authority to approve repair facilities for the 314 approved breath test instruments, including the authority to set 315 criteria for approval.

Nothing in this section shall be construed to supersede provisions in this chapter and chapters 322 and 327. The specifications in this section are derived from the power and authority previously and currently possessed by the Department of Law Enforcement and are enumerated to conform with the mandates of chapter 99-379, Laws of Florida.

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323 A Any person who accepts the privilege extended by the (C) 324 laws of this state of operating a motor vehicle within this 325 state is, by operating such vehicle, deemed to have given his or 326 her consent to submit to an approved blood test for the purpose 327 of determining the alcoholic content of the blood or a blood 328 test for the purpose of determining the presence of chemical 329 substances or controlled substances as provided in this section 330 if there is reasonable cause to believe the person was driving 331 or in actual physical control of a motor vehicle while under the 332 influence of alcoholic beverages or chemical or controlled 333 substances and the person appears for treatment at a hospital, 334 clinic, or other medical facility and the administration of a 335 breath or urine test is impractical or impossible. As used in 336 this paragraph, the term "other medical facility" includes an 337 ambulance or other medical emergency vehicle. The blood test 338 shall be performed in a reasonable manner. A Any person who is 339 incapable of refusal by reason of unconsciousness or other 340 mental or physical condition is deemed not to have withdrawn his 341 or her consent to such test. A blood test may be administered 342 whether or not the person is told that his or her failure to 343 submit to such a blood test will result in the suspension of the person's privilege to operate a motor vehicle upon the public 344 highways of this state and that a refusal to submit to a lawful 345 test of his or her blood, if his or her driving privilege has 346 been previously suspended for refusal to submit to a lawful test 347

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of his or her breath, urine, or blood, is a misdemeanor. A Any 348 person who is capable of refusal shall be told that his or her 349 350 failure to submit to such a blood test will result in the 351 suspension of the person's privilege to operate a motor vehicle 352 for a period of 1 year for a first refusal, or for a period of 353 18 months if the driving privilege of the person has been 354 suspended previously or if he or she has previously been fined under s. 327.35215 as a result of a refusal to submit to such a 355 356 test or tests required under this chapter or chapter 327, and 357 that a refusal to submit to a lawful test of his or her blood, 358 if his or her driving privilege has been previously suspended 359 for a prior refusal to submit to a lawful test of his or her 360 breath, urine, or blood, is a misdemeanor. The refusal to submit 361 to a blood test upon the request of a law enforcement officer is 362 admissible in evidence in any criminal proceeding.

363 Section 2. Subsection (1) of section 316.1939, Florida 364 Statutes, is amended to read:

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316.1939 Refusal to submit to testing; penalties.-

(1) <u>A</u> Any person who has refused to submit to a chemical
or physical test of his or her breath, blood, or urine, as
described in s. 316.1932, and whose driving privilege was
previously suspended <u>or who was previously fined under s.</u>
<u>327.35215</u> for a prior refusal to submit to a lawful test of his
or her breath, urine, or blood <u>required under this chapter or</u>
chapter 327, and:

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(a) Who the arresting law enforcement officer had probable cause to believe was driving or in actual physical control of a motor vehicle in this state while under the influence of alcoholic beverages, chemical substances, or controlled substances;

(b) Who was placed under lawful arrest for a violation of s. 316.193 unless such test was requested pursuant to s. 316.1932(1)(c);

(c) Who was informed that, if he or she refused to submit to such test, his or her privilege to operate a motor vehicle would be suspended for a period of 1 year or, in the case of a second or subsequent refusal, for a period of 18 months;

385 Who was informed that a refusal to submit to a lawful (d) test of his or her breath or $_{\tau}$ urine, or blood, if his or her 386 387 driving privilege has been previously suspended or if he or she 388 has previously been fined under s. 327.35215 for a prior refusal 389 to submit to a lawful test of his or her breath, urine, or blood 390 as required under this chapter or chapter 327, is a misdemeanor 391 of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 392 775.083, in addition to any other penalties provided by law; and Who, after having been so informed, refused to submit 393 (e)

394to any such test when requested to do so by a law enforcement395officer or correctional officer

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397 commits a misdemeanor of the first degree and is subject to

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398	punishment as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.
399	Section 3. Subsections (18) through (47) of section
400	327.02, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (19)
401	through (48), respectively, present subsection (31) of that
402	section is amended, and a new subsection (18) is added to that
403	section, to read:
404	327.02 Definitions.—As used in this chapter and in chapter
405	328, unless the context clearly requires a different meaning,
406	the term:
407	(18) "Human-powered vessel" means a vessel powered only by
408	its occupant or occupants, including, but not limited to, a
409	vessel powered only by the occupants' hands or feet, oars, or
410	paddles.
411	(32) (31) "Navigation rules" means, for vessels on:
412	(a) Waters outside established navigational lines of
413	demarcation as specified in 33 C.F.R. part 80, the International
414	Navigational Rules Act of 1977, 33 U.S.C. s. 1602, as amended,
415	including the appendix and annexes thereto, through December 31,
416	<u>2020</u> October 1, 2012 .
417	(b) All waters not outside of such established lines of
418	demarcation, the Inland Navigational Rules Act of 1980, 33
419	C.F.R. parts 83-90, as amended, through <u>December 31, 2020</u>
420	October 1, 2012 .
421	Section 4. Section 327.04, Florida Statutes, is amended to
422	read:
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423	327.04 Rules.—The commission <u>may</u> has authority to adopt
424	rules pursuant to ss. 120.536(1) and 120.54 to implement the
425	provisions of this chapter, the provisions of chapter 705
426	relating to vessels, and ss. 376.15 and 823.11 conferring powers
427	or duties upon it.
428	Section 5. Section 327.462, Florida Statutes, is created
429	to read:
430	327.462 Temporary protection zones for spaceflight
431	launches and recovery of spaceflight assets
432	(1) As used in this section, the term:
433	(a) "Launch services" means the conduct of a launch and
434	activities involved in the preparation of a launch vehicle,
435	payload, government astronaut, commercial astronaut, or
436	spaceflight participant for such launch.
437	(b) "Reentry services" means the conduct of a reentry and
438	activities involved in the preparation of a reentry vehicle,
439	payload, government astronaut, commercial astronaut, or
440	spaceflight participant for such reentry.
441	(c) "Spaceflight assets" means any item, or any part of an
442	item, owned by a spaceflight entity which is used in launch
443	services or reentry services, including crewed and uncrewed
444	spacecraft, launch vehicles, parachutes and other landing aids,
445	and any spacecraft or ancillary equipment that was attached to
446	the launch vehicle during launch, orbit, or reentry.

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447	(d) "Spaceflight entity" has the same meaning as provided
448	<u>in s. 331.501.</u>
449	(2) The head of a law enforcement agency or entity
450	identified in s. 327.70(1), or his or her designee, may, upon
451	waters of this state within the law enforcement agency's or
452	entity's jurisdiction, when necessary for preparations in
453	advance of a launch service or reentry service or for the
454	recovery of spaceflight assets before or after a launch service
455	or reentry service, temporarily establish a protection zone
456	requiring vessels to leave, or prohibiting vessels from
457	entering, water bodies within:
458	(a) Five hundred yards of where launch services, reentry
459	services, or spaceflight asset recovery operations are being
460	conducted; or
461	(b) A distance greater than provided in paragraph (a) if
462	the head of such law enforcement agency or entity, or his or her
463	designee, determines such greater distance is in the best
464	interest of public safety.
465	(3) A protection zone established under subsection (2) may
466	remain in effect only as long as necessary to ensure security
467	around the launch and recovery areas and to recover spaceflight
468	assets and any personnel being transported within a spacecraft
469	following the launch or reentry activity. Such protection zone
470	may not be in place more than 72 hours before or 72 hours after
471	the launch. The head of a law enforcement agency or entity
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472	identified in s. 327.70(1), or his or her designee, may also
473	restrict vessels from operating within up to 500 yards of any
474	vessel transporting recovered spaceflight assets following a
475	spaceflight launch or reentry while such vessel is continuously
476	underway transporting such assets to a location for removal from
477	the waters of this state.
478	(4) The head of a law enforcement agency or entity
479	establishing a protection zone under this section, or his or her
480	designee, must report the establishment of such protection zone
481	via e-mail to the commission's Division of Law Enforcement,
482	Boating and Waterways Section, and to the appropriate United
483	States Coast Guard Sector Command having responsibility over the
484	water body, at least 72 hours before establishment of the
485	protection zone. Such report must include the reasons for the
486	protection zone, the portion of the water body or water bodies
487	that will be included in the protection zone, and the duration
488	of the protection zone. No later than 72 hours after the end of
489	the protection zone period, the head of the law enforcement
490	agency or entity, or his or her designee, must report via e-mail
491	to the commission's Division of Law Enforcement, Boating and
492	Waterways Section, the details of all citations issued for
493	violating the protection zone.
494	(5) This section applies only to launch services, reentry
495	services, or the recovery of spaceflight assets occurring or
496	originating within spaceport territory, as defined in s.
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497 331.304, and to federally licensed or federally authorized 498 launches and reentries occurring or transiting to an end 499 destination upon waters of this state. 500 (6) A person who violates this section or any directive 501 given by a law enforcement officer relating to the establishment 502 of a protection zone under this section after being advised of 503 the establishment of the protection zone commits a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 504 505 775.083. 506 Section 6. Paragraphs (a) and (c) of subsection (1) of section 327.352, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 507

508327.352Tests for alcohol, chemical substances, or509controlled substances; implied consent; refusal.-

510 (1) (a)1. The Legislature declares that the operation of a 511 vessel is a privilege that must be exercised in a reasonable 512 manner. In order to protect the public health and safety, it is 513 essential that a lawful and effective means of reducing the incidence of boating while impaired or intoxicated be 514 515 established. Therefore, a any person who accepts the privilege 516 extended by the laws of this state of operating a vessel within this state is, by so operating such vessel, deemed to have given 517 518 his or her consent to submit to an approved chemical test or physical test including, but not limited to, an infrared light 519 520 test of his or her breath for the purpose of determining the 521 alcoholic content of his or her blood or breath if the person is

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522 lawfully arrested for any offense allegedly committed while the 523 person was operating a vessel while under the influence of 524 alcoholic beverages. The chemical or physical breath test must 525 be incidental to a lawful arrest and administered at the request 526 of a law enforcement officer who has reasonable cause to believe 527 such person was operating the vessel within this state while 528 under the influence of alcoholic beverages. The administration 529 of a breath test does not preclude the administration of another 530 type of test. The person shall be told that his or her failure to submit to any lawful test of his or her breath under this 531 532 chapter will result in a civil penalty of \$500, and shall also 533 be told that if he or she refuses to submit to a lawful test of 534 his or her breath and he or she has been previously fined under 535 s. 327.35215 or has previously had his or her driver license 536 suspended under s. 322.2615 for refusal to submit to any lawful 537 test of his or her breath, urine, or blood, he or she commits a 538 misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 539 775.082 or s. 775.083, in addition to any other penalties 540 provided by law. The refusal to submit to a chemical or physical 541 breath test upon the request of a law enforcement officer as 542 provided in this section is admissible into evidence in any 543 criminal proceeding.

544 2. <u>A Any</u> person who accepts the privilege extended by the 545 laws of this state of operating a vessel within this state is, 546 by so operating such vessel, deemed to have given his or her

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547 consent to submit to a urine test for the purpose of detecting the presence of chemical substances as set forth in s. 877.111 548 549 or controlled substances if the person is lawfully arrested for 550 any offense allegedly committed while the person was operating a 551 vessel while under the influence of chemical substances or controlled substances. The urine test must be incidental to a 552 553 lawful arrest and administered at a detention facility or any 554 other facility, mobile or otherwise, which is equipped to administer such tests at the request of a law enforcement 555 556 officer who has reasonable cause to believe such person was 557 operating a vessel within this state while under the influence 558 of chemical substances or controlled substances. The urine test 559 shall be administered at a detention facility or any other 560 facility, mobile or otherwise, which is equipped to administer 561 such test in a reasonable manner that will ensure the accuracy 562 of the specimen and maintain the privacy of the individual 563 involved. The administration of a urine test does not preclude 564 the administration of another type of test. The person shall be told that his or her failure to submit to any lawful test of his 565 566 or her urine under this chapter will result in a civil penalty 567 of \$500, and shall also be told that if he or she refuses to 568 submit to a lawful test of his or her urine and he or she has been previously fined under s. 327.35215 or has previously had 569 570 his or her driver license suspended under s. 322.2615 for 571 refusal to submit to any lawful test of his or her breath,

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572 urine, or blood, he or she commits a misdemeanor <u>of the first</u> 573 <u>degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083,</u> in addition to any other penalties <u>provided by law</u>. The refusal to 575 submit to a urine test upon the request of a law enforcement 576 officer as provided in this section is admissible into evidence 577 in any criminal proceeding.

578 (C) A Any person who accepts the privilege extended by the 579 laws of this state of operating a vessel within this state is, 580 by operating such vessel, deemed to have given his or her 581 consent to submit to an approved blood test for the purpose of 582 determining the alcoholic content of the blood or a blood test 583 for the purpose of determining the presence of chemical 584 substances or controlled substances as provided in this section 585 if there is reasonable cause to believe the person was operating 586 a vessel while under the influence of alcoholic beverages or 587 chemical or controlled substances and the person appears for 588 treatment at a hospital, clinic, or other medical facility and 589 the administration of a breath or urine test is impractical or 590 impossible. As used in this paragraph, the term "other medical 591 facility" includes an ambulance or other medical emergency 592 vehicle. The blood test shall be performed in a reasonable manner. A Any person who is incapable of refusal by reason of 593 unconsciousness or other mental or physical condition is deemed 594 not to have withdrawn his or her consent to such test. A Any 595 596 person who is capable of refusal shall be told that his or her

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597 failure to submit to such a blood test will result in a civil 598 penalty of \$500 and that a refusal to submit to a lawful test of 599 his or her blood, if he or she has previously been fined for 600 refusal to submit to any lawful test of his or her breath, 601 urine, or blood, is a misdemeanor. The refusal to submit to a 602 blood test upon the request of a law enforcement officer shall 603 be admissible in evidence in any criminal proceeding.

604 Section 7. Section 327.359, Florida Statutes, is amended 605 to read:

327.359 Refusal to submit to testing; penalties.-<u>A</u> Any
person who has refused to submit to a chemical or physical test
of his or her breath, blood, or urine, as described in s.
327.352, and who has been previously fined <u>under s. 327.35215 or</u>
<u>has previously had his or her driver license suspended under s.</u>
<u>322.2615</u> for refusal to submit to a lawful test of his or her
breath, urine, or blood, and:

(1) Who the arresting law enforcement officer had probable
cause to believe was operating or in actual physical control of
a vessel in this state while under the influence of alcoholic
beverages, chemical substances, or controlled substances;

617 (2) Who was placed under lawful arrest for a violation of
618 s. 327.35 unless such test was requested pursuant to s.
619 327.352(1)(c);

(3) Who was informed that if he or she refused to submitto such test, he or she is subject to a fine of \$500;

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622 Who was informed that a refusal to submit to a lawful (4) 623 test of his or her breath or, urine, or blood, if he or she has 624 been previously fined under s. 327.35215 or has previously had 625 his or her driver license suspended under s. 322.2615 for 626 refusal to submit to a lawful test of his or her breath, urine, 627 or blood, is a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as 628 provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083; and 629 Who, after having been so informed, refused to submit (5) 630 to any such test when requested to do so by a law enforcement 631 officer or correctional officer 632 633 commits a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable and is subject to punishment as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083. 634 635 Section 8. Section 327.371, Florida Statutes, is created 636 to read: 637 327.371 Human-powered vessels regulated.-638 (1) A person may operate a human-powered vessel within the 639 boundaries of the marked channel of the Florida Intracoastal 640 Waterway as defined in s. 327.02: (a) When the marked channel is the only navigable portion 641 642 of the waterway available due to vessel congestion or 643 obstructions on the water. The operator of the human-powered 644 vessel shall proceed with diligence to a location where he or 645 she may safely operate the vessel outside the marked channel of 646 the Florida Intracoastal Waterway.

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647 When crossing the marked channel, provided that the (b) 648 crossing is done in the most direct, continuous, and expeditious 649 manner possible and does not interfere with other vessel traffic 650 in the channel. 651 (c) During an emergency endangering life or limb. 652 (2) A person may not operate a human-powered vessel in the 653 marked channel of the Florida Intracoastal Waterway except as 654 provided in subsection (1). 655 (3) A person who violates this section commits a 656 noncriminal infraction, punishable as provided in s. 327.73. 657 Section 9. Subsection (1) and paragraphs (a) and (b) of 658 subsection (5) of section 327.391, Florida Statutes, are amended 659 to read: 660 327.391 Airboats regulated.-661 The exhaust of every internal combustion engine used (1)662 on any airboat operated on the waters of this state shall be 663 provided with an automotive-style factory muffler, underwater 664 exhaust, or other manufactured device capable of adequately 665 muffling the sound of the exhaust of the engine as described in 666 s. $327.02 \pm 327.02(30)$. The use of cutouts or flex pipe as the sole source of muffling is prohibited, except as provided in 667 668 subsection (4). A Any person who violates this subsection 669 commits a noncriminal infraction, punishable as provided in s. 670 327.73(1).

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(5) (a) Beginning July 1, 2019, A person may not operate an airboat to carry one or more passengers for hire on waters of <u>this</u> the state unless he or she has all of the following onboard the airboat:

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1. A photographic identification card.

2. Proof of completion of a boater education course that
complies with <u>s. 327.395(2)(a)</u> s. 327.395(1)(a). Except as
provided in paragraph (b), no operator is exempt from this
requirement, regardless of age or the exemptions provided under
s. 327.395.

3. Proof of successful completion of a commission-approved
airboat operator course that meets the minimum standards
established by commission rule.

684684685 cardiopulmonary resuscitation and first aid.

(b) A person issued a captain's license by the United
States Coast Guard is not required to complete a boating safety
education course that complies with <u>s. 327.395(2)(a)</u> s.
327.395(1)(a). Proof of the captain's license must be onboard
the airboat when carrying one or more passengers for hire on
waters of this the state.

692 Section 10. Section 327.395, Florida Statutes, is amended 693 to read:

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327.395 Boating safety education.-

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subsection (2).

695 (1) (a) A person born on or after January 1, 1988, may not 696 operate a vessel powered by a motor of 10 horsepower or greater 697 unless such person has in his or her possession aboard the 698 vessel the documents required by subsection (2). 699 (b) Beginning January 1, 2023, a person, regardless of his 700 or her date of birth, may not operate a vessel powered by a 701 motor of 10 horsepower or greater unless such person has in his 702 or her possession aboard the vessel the documents required by

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704 (2) While operating a vessel, a person must have in his or 705 her possession aboard the vessel photographic identification and 706 a boating safety identification card issued by the commission, a 707 state-issued identification card or driver license indicating possession of the boating safety identification card, or 708 709 photographic identification and a temporary certificate issued 710 or approved by the commission, which shows that he or she has:

711 (a) Completed a commission-approved boating safety 712 education course that meets the minimum requirements established 713 by the National Association of State Boating Law Administrators; 714 or

Passed a temporary certificate examination developed 715 (b) 716 or approved by the commission;

717 (c) A valid International Certificate of Competency; or Completed a boating safety education course or 718 (d) 719 equivalency examination in another state or a United States

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720 territory that meets or exceeds the minimum requirements 721 established by the National Association of State Boating Law 722 Administrators. 723 (3) (a) (2) (a) A person may obtain a boating safety 724 identification card by successfully completing a boating safety 725 education course that meets the requirements of this section and 726 rules adopted by the commission pursuant to this section. 727 A person may obtain a temporary certificate by passing (b) a temporary certificate examination that meets the requirements 728 729 of this section and rules adopted by the commission pursuant to 730 this section. 731 (4) (4) (3) A Any commission-approved boating safety education 732 course or temporary certificate examination developed or 733 approved by the commission must include a component regarding 734 diving vessels, awareness of divers in the water, divers-down 735 warning devices, and the requirements of s. 327.331. 736 (4) The commission may appoint liveries, marinas, or other 737 persons as its agents to administer the course or temporary 738 certificate examination and issue identification cards or 739 temporary certificates in digital, electronic, or paper format 740 under guidelines established by the commission. An agent must 741 charge the \$2 examination fee, which must be forwarded to the 742 commission with proof of passage of the examination and may charge and keep a \$1 service fee. 743

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A boating safety identification card issued to a 744 (5) person who has completed a boating safety education course is 745 746 valid for life. A temporary certificate issued to a person who 747 has passed a temporary certification examination is valid for 90 748 days after the date of issuance. The commission may issue either 749 the boating safety identification card or the temporary 750 certificate in a digital, electronic, or paper format.

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(6) A person is exempt from subsection (1) if he or she: 752 (a)1. Is licensed by the United States Coast Guard to 753 serve as master of a vessel; or

754 2. Has been previously licensed by the United States Coast 755 Guard to serve as master of a vessel, provides proof of such 756 licensure to the commission, and requests that a boating safety 757 identification card be issued in his or her name.

> Operates a vessel only on a private lake or pond. (b)

759 Is accompanied in the vessel by a person who is exempt (C) 760 from this section or who holds a boating safety identification 761 card in compliance with this section, who is 18 years of age or 762 older, and who is attendant to the operation of the vessel and 763 responsible for the safe operation of the vessel and for any 764 violation that occurs during the operation of the vessel.

765 Is a nonresident who has in his or her possession (d) photographic identification and proof that he or she has 766 767 completed a boating safety education course or equivalency 768 examination in another state or a United States territory that

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769 which meets or exceeds the minimum requirements established by 770 the National Association of State Boating Law Administrators.

(e) Is operating a vessel within 90 days after the purchase of that vessel and has available for inspection aboard that vessel a bill of sale meeting the requirements of s. 328.46(1).

775 (f) Is operating a vessel within 90 days after completing 776 a boating safety education course in accordance with paragraph 777 (2) (a) the requirements of paragraph (1) (a) and has a 778 photographic identification card and a boating safety education 779 certificate available for inspection as proof of having 780 completed a boating safety education course. The boating safety 781 education certificate must provide, at a minimum, the student's first and last name, the student's date of birth, and the date 782 783 that he or she passed the course examination.

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(g) Is exempted by rule of the commission.

785 (7) A person who operates a vessel in violation of <u>this</u>
786 <u>section</u> subsection (1) commits a noncriminal infraction,
787 punishable as provided in s. 327.73.

(8) The commission shall institute and coordinate a
statewide program of boating safety instruction and
certification to ensure that boating safety courses and
examinations are available in each county of <u>this</u> the state. The
commission may appoint agents to administer the boating safety
education course or temporary certificate examination and may

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authorize the agents to issue temporary certificates in digital, electronic, or paper format. <u>An agent The agents</u> shall charge and collect the \$2 fee required in subsection (9) for each temporary certificate <u>requested of the commission by that agent</u>, which must be forwarded to the commission. The agent may charge and keep a \$1 service fee.

800 (9) The commission <u>may</u> is authorized to establish and to
801 collect a \$2 fee for each card and <u>temporary</u> certificate issued
802 pursuant to this section.

803 (10) The commission shall design forms and adopt rules 804 pursuant to chapter 120 to implement the provisions of this 805 section.

806 (11) This section may be cited as the "Osmany 'Ozzie'807 Castellanos Boating Safety Education Act."

Section 11. Subsection (5) of section 327.4107, Florida Statutes, is renumbered as subsection (6), paragraph (e) of subsection (2) of that section is amended, and new subsections (5) and (7) are added to that section, to read:

812 327.4107 Vessels at risk of becoming derelict on waters of 813 this state.-

814 (2) An officer of the commission or of a law enforcement 815 agency specified in s. 327.70 may determine that a vessel is at 816 risk of becoming derelict if any of the following conditions 817 exist:

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818 The vessel does not have an effective means of (e) 819 propulsion for safe navigation within 72 hours after the vessel 820 owner or operator receives telephonic notice, in-person notice 821 recorded on an agency-approved body camera, or written notice, 822 which may be provided by facsimile, electronic mail, or other 823 electronic means, stating such from an officer, and the vessel 824 owner or operator is unable to provide a receipt, proof of 825 purchase, or other documentation of having ordered necessary 826 parts for vessel repair. The commission may adopt rules to 827 implement this paragraph.

828 The commission, an officer of the commission, or a law (5) 829 enforcement agency or officer specified in s. 327.70 may 830 relocate or cause to be relocated an at-risk vessel found to be 831 in violation of this section to a distance greater than 20 feet 832 from a mangrove or upland vegetation. The commission, an officer 833 of the commission, or a law enforcement agency or officer acting 834 pursuant to this subsection upon waters of this state shall be 835 held harmless for all damages to the at-risk vessel resulting 836 from such relocation unless the damage results from gross 837 negligence or willful misconduct as these terms are defined in 838 s. 823.11. 839 The commission may establish a derelict vessel (7) 840 prevention program to address vessels at risk of becoming 841 derelict. Such program may, but is not required to, include:

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842 Removal, relocation, and destruction of vessels (a) 843 declared a public nuisance, derelict or at risk of becoming 844 derelict, or lost or abandoned in accordance with s. 327.53(7), 845 s. 327.73(1)(aa), s. 705.103(2) and (4), or s. 823.11(3). 846 (b) Creation of a vessel turn-in program allowing the 847 owner of a vessel determined by law enforcement to be at risk of 848 becoming derelict in accordance with this section to turn his or 849 her vessel and vessel title over to the commission to be 850 destroyed without penalty. 851 Providing for removal and destruction of an abandoned (C) 852 vessel for which an owner cannot be identified or the owner of 853 which is deceased and no heir is interested in acquiring the 854 vessel. 855 (d) Purchase of anchor line, anchors, and other equipment 856 necessary for securing vessels at risk of becoming derelict. 857 (e) Creating or acquiring moorings designated for securing 858 vessels at risk of becoming derelict. 859 860 The derelict vessel prevention program created pursuant to this 861 subsection may include other preventative efforts and methods as 862 determined appropriate and necessary by the commission. The 863 commission may adopt rules to implement this subsection. 864 Implementation of the derelict vessel prevention program shall 865 be subject to appropriation by the Legislature and shall be 866 funded by the Marine Resources Conservation Trust Fund or the

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867 Florida Coastal Protection Trust Fund. Section 12. Section 327.4108, Florida Statutes, is amended 868 869 to read: 870 327.4108 Anchoring of vessels in anchoring limitation 871 areas.-872 The following densely populated urban areas, which (1)873 have narrow state waterways, residential docking facilities, and 874 significant recreational boating traffic, are designated as 875 anchoring limitation areas within which a person may not anchor 876 a vessel at any time during the period between one-half hour 877 after sunset and one-half hour before sunrise, except as 878 provided in subsections (3) and (4): 879 The section of Middle River lying between Northeast (a) 880 21st Court and the Intracoastal Waterway in Broward County. 881 (b) Sunset Lake in Miami-Dade County. 882 The sections of Biscayne Bay in Miami-Dade County (C) 883 lying between: 1. Rivo Alto Island and Di Lido Island. 884 885 2. San Marino Island and San Marco Island. 886 3. San Marco Island and Biscayne Island. 887 (2) (a) Monroe County is designated as an anchoring 888 limitation area within which a vessel may only be anchored in 889 the same location for a maximum of 90 days. The commission shall 890 adopt rules to implement this subsection.

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891	(b) This subsection does not apply to an approved and
892	permitted mooring field.
893	(2) To promote the public's use and enjoyment of the
894	designated waterway, except as provided in subsections (3) and
895	(4), a person may not anchor a vessel at any time during the
896	period between one-half hour after sunset and one-half hour
897	before sunrise in an anchoring limitation area.
898	(3) Notwithstanding subsection (2), a
899	person may anchor a vessel in an anchoring limitation area
900	during a time that would otherwise be unlawful:
901	(a) If the vessel suffers a mechanical failure that poses
902	an unreasonable risk of harm to the vessel or the persons
903	onboard unless the vessel anchors. The vessel may anchor for 3
904	business days or until the vessel is repaired, whichever occurs
905	first.
906	(b) If imminent or existing weather conditions in the
907	vicinity of the vessel pose an unreasonable risk of harm to the
908	vessel or the persons onboard unless the vessel anchors. The
909	vessel may anchor until weather conditions no longer pose such
910	risk. During a hurricane or tropical storm, weather conditions
911	are deemed to no longer pose an unreasonable risk of harm when
912	the hurricane or tropical storm warning affecting the area has
913	expired.
914	(c) During events described in s. 327.48 or other special
915	events, including, but not limited to, public music

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916 performances, local government waterfront activities, or 917 fireworks displays. A vessel may anchor for the lesser of the 918 duration of the special event or 3 days. 919 This section does not apply to: (4) 920 Vessels owned or operated by a governmental entity for (a) 921 law enforcement, firefighting, military, or rescue purposes. 922 (b) Construction or dredging vessels on an active job 923 site. 924 (C) Vessels actively engaged in commercial fishing. 925 (d) Vessels engaged in recreational fishing if the persons 926 onboard are actively tending hook and line fishing gear or nets. 927 (5) (a) As used in this subsection, the term "law 928 enforcement officer or agency" means an officer or agency 929 authorized to enforce this section pursuant to s. 327.70. 930 (b) A law enforcement officer or agency may remove a 931 vessel from an anchoring limitation area and impound the vessel 932 for up to 48 hours, or cause such removal and impoundment, if 933 the vessel operator, after being issued a citation for a 934 violation of this section: 935 1. Anchors the vessel in violation of this section within 936 12 hours after being issued the citation; or 937 Refuses to leave the anchoring limitation area after 2. being directed to do so by a law enforcement officer or agency. 938 939 A law enforcement officer or agency acting under this (C) 940 subsection to remove or impound a vessel, or to cause such Page 38 of 76

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941 removal or impoundment, shall be held harmless for any damage to 942 the vessel resulting from such removal or impoundment unless the 943 damage results from gross negligence or willful misconduct.

944 (d) A contractor performing removal or impoundment
945 services at the direction of a law enforcement officer or agency
946 pursuant to this subsection must:

947 1. Be licensed in accordance with United States Coast948 Guard regulations, as applicable.

949 2. Obtain and carry a current policy issued by a licensed 950 insurance carrier in this state to insure against any accident, 951 loss, injury, property damage, or other casualty caused by or 952 resulting from the contractor's actions.

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3. Be properly equipped to perform such services.

(e) In addition to the civil penalty imposed under s.
327.73(1)(z), the operator of a vessel that is removed and
impounded pursuant to paragraph (b) must pay all removal and
storage fees before the vessel is released. A vessel removed
pursuant to paragraph (b) may not be impounded for longer than
48 hours.

960 (6) A violation of this section is punishable as provided 961 in s. 327.73(1)(z).

962 (7) This section shall remain in effect notwithstanding 963 the Legislature's adoption of the commission's recommendations 964 for the regulation of mooring vessels outside of public mooring 965 fields pursuant to s. 327.4105.

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966 Section 13. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) and subsection 967 (2) of section 327.4109, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 968 327.4109 Anchoring or mooring prohibited; exceptions; 969 penalties.-

970 (1) (a) The owner or operator of a vessel or floating
971 structure may not anchor or moor such that the nearest approach
972 of the anchored or moored vessel or floating structure is:

973 1. Within 150 feet of any <u>public or private</u> marina, boat 974 ramp, boatyard, or other <u>public</u> vessel launching or loading 975 facility;

976 2. Within <u>500</u> 300 feet of a superyacht repair facility. 977 For purposes of this subparagraph, the term "superyacht repair 978 facility" means a facility that services or repairs a yacht with 979 a water line of 120 feet or more in length; or

3. Within 100 feet outward from the marked boundary of a public mooring field or a lesser distance if approved by the commission upon request of a local government within which the mooring field is located. The commission may adopt rules to implement this subparagraph.

985 (2) Notwithstanding subsection (1), an owner or operator
986 of a vessel may anchor or moor within 150 feet of any <u>public or</u>
987 <u>private</u> marina, boat ramp, boatyard, or other <u>public</u> vessel
988 launching or loading facility; within <u>500</u> 300 feet of a
989 superyacht repair facility; or within 100 feet outward from the
990 marked boundary of a public mooring field if:

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991 The vessel suffers a mechanical failure that poses an (a) 992 unreasonable risk of harm to the vessel or the persons onboard 993 such vessel. The owner or operator of the vessel may anchor or 994 moor for 5 business days or until the vessel is repaired, 995 whichever occurs first. 996 Imminent or existing weather conditions in the (b) 997 vicinity of the vessel pose an unreasonable risk of harm to the 998 vessel or the persons onboard such vessel. The owner or operator 999 of the vessel may anchor or moor until weather conditions no 1000 longer pose such risk. During a hurricane or tropical storm, 1001 weather conditions are deemed to no longer pose an unreasonable 1002 risk of harm when the hurricane or tropical storm warning 1003 affecting the area has expired. 1004 Section 14. Subsection (2) of section 327.45, Florida 1005 Statutes, is amended to read: 1006 327.45 Protection zones for springs.-1007 The commission may establish by rule protection zones (2) 1008 that restrict the speed and operation of vessels or prohibit the 1009 anchoring, mooring, beaching, or grounding of vessels to protect 1010 and prevent harm to first, second, and third magnitude springs 1011 and spring groups, including their associated spring runs, as 1012

1012 <u>determined by the commission using the most recent Florida</u> 1013 <u>Geological Survey springs bulletin</u>. This harm includes negative 1014 impacts to water quality, water quantity, hydrology, wetlands, 1015 and aquatic and wetland-dependent species.

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1016 Section 15. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 1017 327.46, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 1018 327.46 Boating-restricted areas.-1019 Boating-restricted areas, including, but not limited (1) 1020 to, restrictions of vessel speeds and vessel traffic, may be 1021 established on the waters of this state for any purpose 1022 necessary to protect the safety of the public if such 1023 restrictions are necessary based on boating accidents, 1024 visibility, hazardous currents or water levels, vessel traffic 1025 congestion, or other navigational hazards or to protect 1026 seagrasses on privately owned submerged lands. 1027 Municipalities and counties may have the authority to (b) 1028 establish the following boating-restricted areas by ordinance: 1029 1. An ordinance establishing an idle speed, no wake 1030 boating-restricted area, if the area is: Within 500 feet of any boat ramp, hoist, marine 1031 a. 1032 railway, or other launching or landing facility available for 1033 use by the general boating public on waterways more than 300 1034 feet in width or within 300 feet of any boat ramp, hoist, marine 1035 railway, or other launching or landing facility available for 1036 use by the general boating public on waterways not exceeding 300 1037 feet in width. Within 500 feet of fuel pumps or dispensers at any 1038 b. marine fueling facility that sells motor fuel to the general 1039

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boating public on waterways more than 300 feet in width or

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1041	within 300 feet of the fuel pumps or dispensers at any licensed
1042	terminal facility that sells motor fuel to the general boating
1043	public on waterways not exceeding 300 feet in width.
1044	c. Inside or within 300 feet of any lock structure.
1045	2. An ordinance establishing a slow speed, minimum wake
1046	boating-restricted area if the area is:
1047	a. Within 300 feet of any bridge fender system.
1048	b. Within 300 feet of any bridge span presenting a
1049	vertical clearance of less than 25 feet or a horizontal
1050	clearance of less than 100 feet.
1051	c. On a creek, stream, canal, or similar linear waterway
1052	if the waterway is less than 75 feet in width from shoreline to
1053	shoreline.
1054	d. On a lake or pond of less than 10 acres in total
1055	surface area.
1056	e. Within the boundaries of a permitted public mooring
1057	field and a buffer around the mooring field of up to 100 feet.
1058	3. An ordinance establishing a vessel-exclusion zone if
1059	the area is:
1060	a. Designated as a public bathing beach or swim area.
1061	b. Within 300 feet of a dam, spillway, or flood control
1062	structure.
1063	4. Notwithstanding the prohibition in s. 327.60(2)(c),
1064	within the portion of the Florida Intracoastal Waterway within
1065	their jurisdiction, except that the municipality or county may
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1066 not establish a vessel-exclusion zone for public bathing beaches 1067 or swim areas within the waterway. 1068 Section 16. Section 327.463, Florida Statutes, is created 1069 to read: 1070 327.463 Special hazards.-(1) For purposes of this section, a vessel: 1071 1072(a) Is operating at slow speed, minimum wake only if it 1073 is: 1074 1. Fully off plane and completely settled into the water; 1075 and 1076 Proceeding without wake or with minimum wake. 2. 1077 1078 A vessel that is operating at slow speed, minimum wake may not 1079 proceed at a speed greater than a speed that is reasonable and 1080 prudent to avoid the creation of an excessive wake or other 1081 hazardous condition under the existing circumstances. 1082 Is not proceeding at slow speed, minimum wake if it (b) 1083 is: 1084 1. Operating on plane; 1085 2. In the process of coming off plane and settling into the water or getting on plane; or 1086 1087 3. Operating at a speed that creates a wake that 1088 unreasonably or unnecessarily endangers other vessels. 1089 A person may not operate a vessel faster than slow (2) speed, minimum wake within 300 feet of any emergency vessel, 1090

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including, but not limited to, a law enforcement vessel, United 1091 States Coast Guard vessel, or firefighting vessel, when such 1092 1093 emergency vessel's emergency lights are activated. 1094 (3) (a) A person may not operate a vessel faster than slow 1095 speed, minimum wake within 300 feet of any construction vessel 1096 or barge when the vessel or barge is displaying an orange flag 1097 from a pole extending: 1098 1. At least 10 feet above the tallest portion of the 1099 vessel or barge, indicating that the vessel or barge is actively 1100 engaged in construction operations; or 1101 At least 5 feet above any superstructure permanently 2. installed upon the vessel or barge, indicating that the vessel 1102 1103 or barge is actively engaged in construction operations. 1104 (b) A flag displayed on a construction vessel or barge 1105 pursuant to this subsection must: 1106 1. Be at least 2 feet by 3 feet in size. 1107 Have a wire or other stiffener or be otherwise 2. 1108 constructed to ensure that the flag remains fully unfurled and 1109 extended in the absence of a wind or breeze. 1110 3. Be displayed so that the visibility of the flag is not 1111 obscured in any direction. 1112 (c) In periods of low visibility, including any time between 30 minutes after sunset and 30 minutes before sunrise, a 1113 1114 person may not be cited for a violation of this subsection 1115 unless the orange flag is illuminated and visible from a

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1116 distance of at least 2 nautical miles. Such illumination does 1117 not relieve the construction vessel or barge from complying with 1118 all navigation rules. 1119 (4) (a) A person operating a vessel in violation of this 1120 section commits a noncriminal infraction, punishable as provided 1121 in s. 327.73. 1122 (b) The owner of, or party who is responsible for, a 1123 construction vessel or barge who displays an orange flag on the 1124 vessel or barge when it is not actively engaged in construction 1125 operations commits a noncriminal infraction, punishable as 1126 provided in s. 327.73. 1127 (5) The speed and penalty provisions of this section do not apply to a law enforcement, firefighting, or rescue vessel 1128 that is owned or operated by a governmental entity. 1129 1130 Section 17. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 327.50, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 1131 1132 327.50 Vessel safety regulations; equipment and lighting 1133 requirements.-1134 (1) (a) The owner and operator of every vessel on the 1135 waters of this state shall carry, store, maintain, and use 1136 safety equipment in accordance with current United States Coast 1137 Guard safety equipment requirements as specified in the Code of 1138 Federal Regulations, unless expressly exempted by the commission 1139 department. 1140 Section 18. Paragraph (a) of subsection (6) and subsection

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1141 (7) of section 327.53, Florida Statutes, are amended, and 1142 subsection (8) is added to that section, to read: 1143 327.53 Marine sanitation.-(6) (a) A violation of this section is a noncriminal 1144 infraction, punishable as provided in s. 327.73. Each violation 1145 shall be a separate offense. The owner and operator of any 1146 1147 vessel shall be jointly and severally liable for the civil 1148 penalty imposed pursuant to this section. 1149 A Any vessel or floating structure operated or (7)1150 occupied on the waters of this the state in violation of this 1151 section is declared a nuisance and a hazard to public safety and 1152 health. The owner or operator of a any vessel or floating 1153 structure cited for violating this section shall, within 30 days 1154 following the issuance of the citation, correct the violation for which the citation was issued or remove the vessel or 1155 1156 floating structure from the waters of this the state. If the 1157 violation is not corrected within the 30 days and the vessel or 1158 floating structure remains on the waters of this the state in 1159 violation of this section, law enforcement officers charged with 1160 the enforcement of this chapter under s. 327.70 shall apply to 1161 the appropriate court in the county in which the vessel or floating structure is located, to order or otherwise cause the 1162 1163 removal of such vessel or floating structure from the waters of this the state at the owner's expense. If the owner cannot be 1164 1165 found or otherwise fails to pay the removal costs, the

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1166 provisions of s. 328.17 shall apply. If the proceeds under s. 1167 328.17 are not sufficient to pay all removal costs, funds 1168 appropriated from the Marine Resources Conservation Trust Fund 1169 pursuant to paragraph (6) (b) or <u>s. 328.72(15)(c)</u> s. 328.72(16) 1170 may be used.

(8) 1171 The owner or operator of a live-aboard vessel as 1172 defined in s. 327.02(23)(a) or (c), or a houseboat as defined in 1173 s. 327.02, that is equipped with a marine sanitation device 1174 certified by the United States Coast Guard must maintain a 1175 record of the date of each pumpout of the device and the 1176 location of the pumpout station or waste reception facility. 1177 Each record must be maintained for 1 year after the date of the 1178 pumpout. This subsection does not apply to marine compost 1179 toilets that process and manage human waste using currently 1180 accepted marine compost toilet technologies that comply with 1181 United States Coast Guard requirements. 1182 Section 19. Subsection (2) of section 327.54, Florida 1183 Statutes, is amended to read: 1184 327.54 Liveries; safety regulations; penalty.-1185 A livery may not knowingly lease, hire, or rent a any (2) 1186 vessel powered by a motor of 10 horsepower or greater to a any 1187 person who is required to comply with s. 327.395_{τ} unless such person presents to the livery photographic identification and a 1188 valid boater safety identification card issued by the 1189 1190 commission, a state-issued identification card or driver license

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1191	indicating possession of the boating safety identification card,
1192	or photographic identification and a valid temporary certificate
1193	issued or approved by the commission as required under s.
1194	327.395(2) s. $327.395(1)$, or meets the exemption provided under
1195	s. 327.395(6)(f).
1196	Section 20. Subsection (5) of section 327.60, Florida
1197	Statutes, is amended to read:
1198	327.60 Local regulations; limitations
1199	(5) A local government may enact and enforce regulations
1200	to implement the procedures for abandoned or lost property that
1201	allow the local law enforcement agency to remove a vessel
1202	affixed to a public dock <u>or mooring</u> within its jurisdiction that
1203	is abandoned or lost property pursuant to s. 705.103(1). Such
1204	regulation must require the local law enforcement agency to post
1205	a written notice at least 24 hours before removing the vessel.
1206	Section 21. Paragraphs (q), (s), and (aa) of subsection
1207	(1) of section 327.73, Florida Statutes, are amended, and
1208	paragraphs (cc) and (dd) are added to that subsection, to read:
1209	327.73 Noncriminal infractions
1210	(1) Violations of the following provisions of the vessel
1211	laws of this state are noncriminal infractions:
1212	(q) Section 327.53(1), (2), and (3), <u>and (8),</u> relating to
1213	marine sanitation.
1214	(s) Section 327.395, relating to boater safety education.
1215	However, a person cited for violating the requirements of s.
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1216	327.395 relating to failure to have required proof of boating
1217	safety education in his or her possession may not be convicted
1218	if, before or at the time of a county court hearing, the person
1219	produces proof of the boating safety education identification
1220	card or temporary certificate for verification by the hearing
1221	officer or the court clerk and the identification card or
1222	temporary certificate was valid at the time the person was
1223	cited.
1224	(aa) Section 327.4107, relating to vessels at risk of
1225	becoming derelict on waters of this state, for which the civil
1226	penalty is:
1227	1. For a first offense, <u>\$100</u> \$50 .
1228	2. For a second offense occurring 30 days or more after a
1229	first offense, <u>\$250</u> \$100 .
1230	3. For a third or subsequent offense occurring 30 days or
1231	more after a previous offense, <u>\$500</u> \$250 .
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1233	A vessel that is the subject of three or more violations issued
1234	pursuant to the same paragraph of s. 327.4107(2) within an 18-
1235	month period which result in dispositions other than acquittal
1236	or dismissal shall be declared to be a public nuisance and
1237	subject to ss. 705.103(2) and (4) and 823.11(3). The commission,
1238	an officer of the commission, or a law enforcement agency or
1239	officer specified in s. 327.70 may relocate, remove, or cause to
1240	be relocated or removed such public nuisance vessels from waters

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1241 of this state. The commission, an officer of the commission, or 1242 a law enforcement agency or officer acting pursuant to this 1243 paragraph upon waters of this state shall be held harmless for 1244 all damages to the vessel resulting from such relocation or removal unless the damage results from gross negligence or 1245 1246 willful misconduct as these terms are defined in s. 823.11. 1247 (cc) Section 327.463(4)(a) and (b), relating to vessels 1248 creating special hazards, for which the penalty is: 1249 1. For a first offense, \$50. 1250 2. For a second offense occurring within 12 months after a 1251 prior offense, \$100. 1252 3. For a third offense occurring within 36 months after a 1253 prior offense, \$250. 1254 (dd) Section 327.371, relating to the regulation of human-1255 powered vessels. 1256 1257 Any person cited for a violation of any provision of this 1258 subsection shall be deemed to be charged with a noncriminal 1259 infraction, shall be cited for such an infraction, and shall be 1260 cited to appear before the county court. The civil penalty for 1261 any such infraction is \$50, except as otherwise provided in this 1262 section. Any person who fails to appear or otherwise properly respond to a uniform boating citation shall, in addition to the 1263 charge relating to the violation of the boating laws of this 1264 state, be charged with the offense of failing to respond to such 1265

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1266 citation and, upon conviction, be guilty of a misdemeanor of the 1267 second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 1268 775.083. A written warning to this effect shall be provided at 1269 the time such uniform boating citation is issued.

Section 22. Subsection (4) of section 328.09, FloridaStatutes, is amended to read:

1272 328.09 Refusal to issue and authority to cancel a 1273 certificate of title or registration.-

1274 The department may not issue a certificate of title to (4) 1275 an any applicant for a any vessel that has been deemed derelict by a law enforcement officer under s. 376.15 or s. 823.11. A law 1276 1277 enforcement officer must inform the department in writing, which 1278 may be provided by facsimile, electronic mail, or other 1279 electronic means, of the vessel's derelict status and supply the 1280 department with the vessel title number or vessel identification 1281 number. The department may issue a certificate of title once a law enforcement officer has verified in writing, which may be 1282 1283 provided by facsimile, electronic mail, or other electronic 1284 means, that the vessel is no longer a derelict vessel.

1285 Section 23. Effective July 1, 2023, paragraph (e) of 1286 subsection (3) of section 328.09, Florida Statutes, as amended 1287 by section 12 of chapter 2019-76, Laws of Florida, is amended to 1288 read:

1289 328.09 Refusal to issue and authority to cancel a 1290 certificate of title or registration.-

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(3) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (4), the department may reject an application for a certificate of title only if:

1294 The application is for a vessel that has been deemed (e) 1295 derelict by a law enforcement officer under s. 376.15 or s. 1296 823.11. In such case, a law enforcement officer must inform the 1297 department in writing, which may be provided by facsimile, e-1298 mail, or other electronic means, of the vessel's derelict status 1299 and supply the department with the vessel title number or vessel 1300 identification number. The department may issue a certificate of 1301 title once a law enforcement officer has verified in writing, 1302 which may be provided by facsimile, e-mail, or other electronic 1303 means, that the vessel is no longer a derelict vessel.

1304Section 24.Section 376.15, Florida Statutes, is amended1305to read:

1306 376.15 Derelict vessels; relocation or removal from public 1307 waters of this state.-

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

(a) "Commission" means the Fish and Wildlife ConservationCommission.

(b) "Gross negligence" means conduct so reckless or wanting in care that it constitutes a conscious disregard or indifference to the safety of the property exposed to such conduct.

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1315 "Willful misconduct" means conduct evidencing (C)1316 carelessness or negligence of such a degree or recurrence as to 1317 manifest culpability, wrongful intent, or evil design or to show 1318 an intentional and substantial disregard of the interests of the 1319 vessel owner. 1320 (2) (a) It is unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation 1321 to store, leave, or abandon any derelict vessel as defined in s. 1322 823.11 upon the waters of in this state. For purposes of this 1323 paragraph, the term "leave" means to allow a vessel to remain 1324 occupied or unoccupied on the waters of this state for more than 1325 24 hours. 1326 (b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), a person who owns or 1327 operates a vessel that becomes derelict upon the waters of this state solely as a result of a boating accident that is reported 1328 1329 to law enforcement in accordance with s. 327.301 or otherwise 1330 reported to law enforcement; a hurricane; or another sudden 1331 event outside of his or her control may not be charged with a 1332 violation if: 1333 1. The person documents for law enforcement the specific 1334 event that led to the vessel being derelict upon the waters of 1335 this state; and 1336 The vessel has been removed from the waters of this 2. 1337 state or has been repaired or addressed and is no longer 1338 derelict upon the waters of this state:

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1339 Within 7 days after a boating accident or other sudden a. 1340 event outside of his or her control; or 1341 b. Within 45 days after a hurricane has passed over this 1342 state. 1343 (C) This subsection does not apply to a vessel that was 1344 derelict upon the waters of this state before the stated 1345 accident or event. 1346 The commission, an officer officers of the (3)(a) 1347 commission, or a and any law enforcement agency or officer 1348 specified in s. 327.70 may are authorized and empowered to 1349 relocate, remove, store, destroy, or dispose of or cause to be 1350 relocated, or removed, stored, destroyed, or disposed of a any derelict vessel as defined in s. 823.11 from public waters of 1351 1352 this state as defined in s. 327.02. All costs, including costs 1353 owed to a third party, incurred by the commission or other law 1354 enforcement agency in the relocation, or removal, storage, 1355 destruction, or disposal of any abandoned or derelict vessel are 1356 recoverable against the owner of the vessel or the party 1357 determined to be legally responsible for the vessel being upon 1358 the waters of this state in a derelict condition. The Department 1359 of Legal Affairs shall represent the commission in actions to 1360 recover such costs. The commission, an officer officers of the commission, 1361 (b) or a and any other law enforcement agency or officer specified 1362

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in s. 327.70 acting pursuant to under this section to relocate,

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1364 remove, <u>store, destroy, or dispose of,</u> or cause to be relocated, 1365 or removed, <u>stored</u>, <u>destroyed</u>, <u>or disposed of</u>, a derelict vessel 1366 from <u>public</u> waters <u>of this state as defined in s. 327.02</u> shall 1367 be held harmless for all damages to the derelict vessel 1368 resulting from such <u>action</u> relocation or removal unless the 1369 damage results from gross negligence or willful misconduct <u>as</u> 1370 these terms are defined in s. 823.11.

1371 (c) A contractor performing relocation, or removal, 1372 storage, destruction, or disposal activities at the direction of 1373 the commission, an officer officers of the commission, or a law 1374 enforcement agency or officer, or a governmental subdivision, 1375 when the governmental subdivision has received authorization 1376 from a law enforcement officer or agency, pursuant to this 1377 section must be licensed in accordance with applicable United States Coast Guard regulations where required; obtain and carry 1378 in full force and effect a policy from a licensed insurance 1379 1380 carrier in this state to insure against any accident, loss, 1381 injury, property damage, or other casualty caused by or 1382 resulting from the contractor's actions; and be properly equipped to perform the services to be provided. 1383

(d) The commission may establish a program to provide
grants to local governments for the removal, storage,
<u>destruction</u>, and disposal of derelict vessels from the <u>public</u>
waters of <u>this</u> the state <u>as defined in s. 327.02</u>. The program
shall be funded from the Marine Resources Conservation Trust

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1389 Fund or the Florida Coastal Protection Trust Fund. 1390 Notwithstanding the provisions in s. 216.181(11), funds 1391 available for grants may only be authorized by appropriations 1392 acts of the Legislature. In a given fiscal year, if all funds 1393 appropriated pursuant to this paragraph are not requested by and 1394 granted to local governments for the removal, storage, 1395 destruction, and disposal of derelict vessels by the end of the 1396 third quarter, the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission may 1397 use the remainder of the funds to remove, store, destroy, and 1398 dispose of, or to pay private contractors to remove, store, 1399 destroy, and dispose of, derelict vessels.

(e) The commission shall adopt by rule procedures for
submitting a grant application and criteria for allocating
available funds. Such criteria shall include, but not be limited
to, the following:

1404 1. The number of derelict vessels within the jurisdiction
 1405 of the applicant.

1406 2. The threat posed by such vessels to public health or 1407 safety, the environment, navigation, or the aesthetic condition 1408 of the general vicinity.

1409 3. The degree of commitment of the local government to 1410 maintain waters free of abandoned and derelict vessels and to 1411 seek legal action against those who abandon vessels in the 1412 waters of <u>this the state as defined in s. 327.02</u>.

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(f) This section constitutes the authority for such

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1414	removal but is not intended to be in contravention of any
1415	applicable federal act.
1416	Section 25. Subsections (2) and (4) of section 705.103,
1417	Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
1418	705.103 Procedure for abandoned or lost property
1419	(2) (a) 1. Whenever a law enforcement officer ascertains
1420	that:
1421	a. An article of lost or abandoned property other than a
1422	derelict vessel or a vessel declared a public nuisance pursuant
1423	to s. 327.73(1)(aa) is present on public property and is of such
1424	nature that it cannot be easily removed, the officer shall cause
1425	a notice to be placed upon such article in substantially the
1426	following form:
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1428	NOTICE TO THE OWNER AND ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ATTACHED
1429	PROPERTY. This property, to wit:(setting forth brief
1430	description) is unlawfully upon public property known as
1431	\ldots (setting forth brief description of location) and must be
1432	removed within 5 days; otherwise, it will be removed and
1433	disposed of pursuant to chapter 705, Florida Statutes. The owner
1434	will be liable for the costs of removal, storage, and
1435	publication of notice. Dated this:(setting forth the date of
1436	posting of notice), signed:(setting forth name, title,
1437	address, and telephone number of law enforcement officer)
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1439 b. A derelict vessel or a vessel declared a public 1440 nuisance pursuant to s. 327.73(1) (aa) is present on the waters 1441 of this state, the officer shall cause a notice to be placed 1442 upon such vessel in substantially the following form: 1443 1444 NOTICE TO THE OWNER AND ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ATTACHED VESSEL. This vessel, to wit: ... (setting forth brief 1445 1446 description)... has been determined to be (derelict or a public 1447 nuisance) and is unlawfully upon the waters of this state 1448 ... (setting forth brief description of location)... and must be 1449 removed within 21 days; otherwise, it will be removed and 1450 disposed of pursuant to chapter 705, Florida Statutes. The owner 1451 and other interested parties have the right to a hearing to 1452 challenge the determination that this vessel is derelict or 1453 otherwise in violation of the law. Please contact ... (contact 1454 information for person who can arrange for a hearing in 1455 accordance with this section) The owner or the party 1456 determined to be legally responsible for the vessel being upon 1457 the waters of this state in a derelict condition will be liable for the costs of removal, destruction, and disposal if this 1458 1459 vessel is not removed by the owner. Dated this: ... (setting 1460 forth the date of posting of notice)..., signed: ... (setting forth name, title, address, and telephone number of law 1461 1462 enforcement officer)

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1463 2. A Such notice required under subparagraph 1. may shall 1464 be not be less than 8 inches by 10 inches and shall be 1465 sufficiently weatherproof to withstand normal exposure to the 1466 elements. In addition to posting, the law enforcement officer 1467 shall make a reasonable effort to ascertain the name and address 1468 of the owner. If such is reasonably available to the officer, 1469 she or he shall mail a copy of such notice to the owner on or 1470 before the date of posting. If the property is a motor vehicle 1471 as defined in s. 320.01(1) or a vessel as defined in s. 327.02, 1472 the law enforcement agency shall contact the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles in order to determine the name 1473 1474 and address of the owner and any person who has filed a lien on the vehicle or vessel as provided in s. 319.27(2) or (3) or s. 1475 1476 328.15(1). On receipt of this information, the law enforcement 1477 agency shall mail a copy of the notice by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the owner and to the lienholder, if any, 1478 except that a law enforcement officer who has issued a citation 1479 1480 for a violation of s. 376.15 or s. 823.11 to the owner of a 1481 derelict vessel is not required to mail a copy of the notice by 1482 certified mail, return receipt requested, to the owner. For a 1483 derelict vessel or a vessel declared a public nuisance pursuant 1484 to s. 327.73(1)(aa), the mailed notice must inform the owner or 1485 responsible party that he or she has a right to a hearing to 1486 dispute the determination that the vessel is derelict or 1487 otherwise in violation of the law. If a request for a hearing is

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1488	made, a state agency shall follow the processes set forth in s.
1489	120.569. Local governmental entities shall follow the processes
1490	set forth in s. 120.569, except that a local judge, magistrate,
1491	or code enforcement officer may be designated to conduct such a
1492	<u>hearing.</u> If, at the end of 5 days after posting the notice <u>in</u>
1493	sub-subparagraph 1.a., or at the end of 21 days after posting
1494	the notice in sub-subparagraph 1.b., and mailing such notice, if
1495	required, the owner or any person interested in the lost or
1496	abandoned article or articles described has not removed the
1497	article or articles from public property or shown reasonable
1498	cause for failure to do so, and, in the case of a derelict
1499	vessel or a vessel declared a public nuisance pursuant to s.
1500	327.73(1)(aa), has not requested a hearing in accordance with
1501	this section, the following shall apply:
1502	<u>a.(a) For abandoned property other than a derelict vessel</u>
1503	or a vessel declared a public nuisance pursuant to s.
1504	327.73(1)(aa), the law enforcement agency may retain any or all
1505	of the property for its own use or for use by the state or unit
1506	of local government, trade such property to another unit of
1507	local government or state agency, donate the property to a
1508	charitable organization, sell the property, or notify the
1509	appropriate refuse removal service.
1510	b. For a derelict vessel or a vessel declared a public
1511	nuisance pursuant to s. 327.73(1)(aa), the law enforcement
1512	agency or its designee may:

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1513 Remove the vessel from the waters of this state and (I) 1514 destroy and dispose of the vessel or authorize another 1515 governmental entity or its designee to do so; or 1516 Authorize the vessel's use as an artificial reef in (II) 1517 accordance with s. 379.249 if all necessary federal, state, and 1518 local authorizations are received. 1519 1520 A law enforcement agency or its designee may also take action as described in this sub-subparagraph if, following a hearing 1521 pursuant to this section, the judge, magistrate, administrative 1522 1523 law judge, or hearing officer has determined the vessel to be 1524 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 1525 1526 has been entered or the case is otherwise closed. 1527 For lost property, the officer shall take custody and (b) 1528 the agency shall retain custody of the property for 90 days. The 1529 agency shall publish notice of the intended disposition of the 1530 property, as provided in this section, during the first 45 days 1531 of this time period. 1532 If the agency elects to retain the property for use by 1. 1533 the unit of government, donate the property to a charitable 1534 organization, surrender such property to the finder, sell the property, or trade the property to another unit of local 1535 government or state agency, notice of such election shall be 1536 1537 given by an advertisement published once a week for 2

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1538 consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the county where the property was found if the value of the property 1539 1540 is more than \$100. If the value of the property is \$100 or less, 1541 notice shall be given by posting a description of the property 1542 at the law enforcement agency where the property was turned in. 1543 The notice must be posted for not less than 2 consecutive weeks 1544 in a public place designated by the law enforcement agency. The 1545 notice must describe the property in a manner reasonably 1546 adequate to permit the rightful owner of the property to claim 1547 it.

If the agency elects to sell the property, it must do 1548 2. 1549 so at public sale by competitive bidding. Notice of the time and 1550 place of the sale shall be given by an advertisement of the sale 1551 published once a week for 2 consecutive weeks in a newspaper of 1552 general circulation in the county where the sale is to be held. 1553 The notice shall include a statement that the sale shall be 1554 subject to any and all liens. The sale must be held at the 1555 nearest suitable place to that where the lost or abandoned 1556 property is held or stored. The advertisement must include a 1557 description of the goods and the time and place of the sale. The 1558 sale may take place no earlier than 10 days after the final publication. If there is no newspaper of general circulation in 1559 the county where the sale is to be held, the advertisement shall 1560 1561 be posted at the door of the courthouse and at three other 1562 public places in the county at least 10 days prior to sale.

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1563 Notice of the agency's intended disposition shall describe the 1564 property in a manner reasonably adequate to permit the rightful 1565 owner of the property to identify it.

1566 The owner of any abandoned or lost property, or in the (4) 1567 case of a derelict vessel, the owner or other party determined 1568 to be legally responsible for the vessel being upon the waters 1569 of this state in a derelict condition, who, after notice as 1570 provided in this section, does not remove such property within 1571 the specified period shall be liable to the law enforcement 1572 agency, other governmental entity, or the agency's or entity's 1573 designee for all costs of removal, storage, and destruction of 1574 such property, less any salvage value obtained by disposal of the property. Upon final disposition of the property, the law 1575 1576 enforcement officer or representative of the law enforcement 1577 agency or other governmental entity shall notify the owner, if 1578 known, of the amount owed. In the case of an abandoned vessel or 1579 motor vehicle, any person who neglects or refuses to pay such 1580 amount is not entitled to be issued a certificate of 1581 registration for such vessel or motor vehicle, or any other 1582 vessel or motor vehicle, until such costs have been paid. A 1583 person who has neglected or refused to pay all costs of removal, 1584 storage, disposal, and destruction of a vessel or motor vehicle as provided in this section, after having been provided written 1585 1586 notice via certified mail that such costs are owed, and who 1587 applies for and is issued a registration for a vessel or motor

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1588 vehicle before such costs have been paid in full commits a 1589 misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 1590 775.082 or s. 775.083. The law enforcement officer or 1591 representative of the law enforcement agency or other 1592 governmental entity shall supply the Department of Highway 1593 Safety and Motor Vehicles with a list of persons whose vessel 1594 registration privileges and or whose motor vehicle privileges 1595 have been revoked under this subsection. Neither The department 1596 or a nor any other person acting as an agent of the department 1597 may not thereof shall issue a certificate of registration to a 1598 person whose vessel and or motor vehicle registration privileges 1599 have been revoked, as provided by this subsection, until such 1600 costs have been paid. 1601 Section 26. Effective July 1, 2023, subsection (2) of 1602 section 705.103, Florida Statutes, as amended by section 29 of

1602 section 705.103, Florida Statutes, as amended by section 29 1603 chapter 2019-76, Laws of Florida, is amended to read:

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705.103 Procedure for abandoned or lost property.-

1605 (2)(a)1. Whenever a law enforcement officer ascertains
1606 that:

1607 <u>a.</u> An article of lost or abandoned property <u>other than a</u> 1608 <u>derelict vessel or a vessel declared a public nuisance pursuant</u> 1609 <u>to s. 327.73(1)(aa)</u> is present on public property and is of such 1610 nature that it cannot be easily removed, the officer shall cause 1611 a notice to be placed upon such article in substantially the 1612 following form:

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1614	NOTICE TO THE OWNER AND ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ATTACHED
1615	PROPERTY. This property, to wit:(setting forth brief
1616	description) is unlawfully upon public property known as
1617	\ldots (setting forth brief description of location) and must be
1618	removed within 5 days; otherwise, it will be removed and
1619	disposed of pursuant to chapter 705, Florida Statutes. The owner
1620	will be liable for the costs of removal, storage, and
1621	publication of notice. Dated this: \dots (setting forth the date of
1622	posting of notice), signed:(setting forth name, title,
1623	address, and telephone number of law enforcement officer)
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1625	b. A derelict vessel or a vessel declared a public
1626	nuisance pursuant to s. 327.73(1)(aa) is present on the waters
1627	of this state, the officer shall cause a notice to be placed
1628	upon such vessel in substantially the following form:
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1630	NOTICE TO THE OWNER AND ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ATTACHED
1631	VESSEL. This vessel, to wit: (setting forth brief description
1632	of location) has been determined to be (derelict or a public
1633	nuisance) and is unlawfully upon the waters of this state
1634	(setting forth brief description of location) and must be
1635	removed within 21 days; otherwise, it will be removed and
1636	disposed of pursuant to chapter 705, Florida Statutes. The owner
1637	and other interested parties have the right to a hearing to
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1638 challenge the determination that this vessel is derelict or 1639 otherwise in violation of the law. Please contact ... (contact 1640 information for person who can arrange for a hearing in 1641 accordance with this section) The owner or the party 1642 determined to be legally responsible for the vessel being upon 1643 the waters of this state in a derelict condition will be liable 1644 for the costs of removal, destruction, and disposal if this 1645 vessel is not removed by the owner. Dated this: ... (setting forth the date of posting of notice)..., signed: ... (setting 1646 forth name, title, address, and telephone number of law 1647 1648 enforcement officer)....

2. A Such notice required under subparagraph 1. may shall 1650 1651 be not be less than 8 inches by 10 inches and shall be 1652 sufficiently weatherproof to withstand normal exposure to the 1653 elements. In addition to posting, the law enforcement officer 1654 shall make a reasonable effort to ascertain the name and address 1655 of the owner. If such is reasonably available to the officer, 1656 she or he shall mail a copy of such notice to the owner on or 1657 before the date of posting. If the property is a motor vehicle 1658 as defined in s. 320.01(1) or a vessel as defined in s. 327.02, 1659 the law enforcement agency shall contact the Department of 1660 Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles in order to determine the name 1661 and address of the owner and any person who has filed a lien on 1662 the vehicle or vessel as provided in s. 319.27(2) or (3) or s.

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328.15. On receipt of this information, the law enforcement 1663 agency shall mail a copy of the notice by certified mail, return 1664 1665 receipt requested, to the owner and to the lienholder, if any, 1666 except that a law enforcement officer who has issued a citation 1667 for a violation of s. 376.15 or s. 823.11 to the owner of a 1668 derelict vessel is not required to mail a copy of the notice by 1669 certified mail, return receipt requested, to the owner. For a 1670 derelict vessel or a vessel declared a public nuisance pursuant to s. 327.73(1)(aa), the mailed notice must inform the owner or 1671 1672 responsible party that he or she has a right to a hearing to 1673 dispute the determination that the vessel is derelict or 1674 otherwise in violation of the law. If a request for a hearing is 1675 made, a state agency shall follow the processes as set forth in 1676 s. 120.569. Local governmental entities shall follow the 1677 processes set forth in s. 120.569, except that a local judge, 1678 magistrate, or code enforcement officer may be designated to 1679 conduct such hearings. If, at the end of 5 days after posting 1680 the notice in sub-subparagraph 1.a., or at the end of 21 days 1681 after posting the notice in sub-subparagraph 1.b., and mailing such notice, if required, the owner or any person interested in 1682 1683 the lost or abandoned article or articles described has not 1684 removed the article or articles from public property or shown reasonable cause for failure to do so, and, in the case of a 1685 derelict vessel or a vessel declared a public nuisance pursuant 1686

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1687	to s. 327.73(1)(aa), has not requested a hearing in accordance
1688	with this section, the following shall apply:
1689	<u>a.(a) For abandoned property other than a derelict vessel</u>
1690	or a vessel declared a public nuisance pursuant to s.
1691	327.73(1)(aa), the law enforcement agency may retain any or all
1692	of the property for its own use or for use by the state or unit
1693	of local government, trade such property to another unit of
1694	local government or state agency, donate the property to a
1695	charitable organization, sell the property, or notify the
1696	appropriate refuse removal service.
1697	b. For a derelict vessel or a vessel declared a public
1698	nuisance pursuant to s. 327.73(1)(aa), the law enforcement
1699	agency or its designee may:
1700	(I) Remove the vessel from the waters of this state and
1701	destroy and dispose of the vessel or authorize another
1702	governmental entity or its designee to do so; or
1703	(II) Authorize the vessel's use as an artificial reef in
1704	accordance with s. 379.249 if all necessary federal, state, and
1705	local authorizations are received.
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1707	A law enforcement agency or its designee may also take action as
1708	described in this sub-subparagraph if, following a hearing
1709	pursuant to this section, the judge, magistrate, administrative
1710	law judge, or hearing officer has determined the vessel to be
1711	derelict as provided in s. 823.11 or otherwise in violation of

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1712 the law in accordance with s. 327.73(1)(aa) and a final order 1713 has been entered or the case is otherwise closed.

(b) For lost property, the officer shall take custody and the agency shall retain custody of the property for 90 days. The agency shall publish notice of the intended disposition of the property, as provided in this section, during the first 45 days of this time period.

1719 If the agency elects to retain the property for use by 1. 1720 the unit of government, donate the property to a charitable 1721 organization, surrender such property to the finder, sell the 1722 property, or trade the property to another unit of local 1723 government or state agency, notice of such election shall be 1724 given by an advertisement published once a week for 2 1725 consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the 1726 county where the property was found if the value of the property is more than \$100. If the value of the property is \$100 or less, 1727 1728 notice shall be given by posting a description of the property 1729 at the law enforcement agency where the property was turned in. 1730 The notice must be posted for not less than 2 consecutive weeks 1731 in a public place designated by the law enforcement agency. The 1732 notice must describe the property in a manner reasonably 1733 adequate to permit the rightful owner of the property to claim 1734 it.

1735 2. If the agency elects to sell the property, it must do 1736 so at public sale by competitive bidding. Notice of the time and

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1737 place of the sale shall be given by an advertisement of the sale published once a week for 2 consecutive weeks in a newspaper of 1738 1739 general circulation in the county where the sale is to be held. 1740 The notice shall include a statement that the sale shall be 1741 subject to any and all liens. The sale must be held at the 1742 nearest suitable place to that where the lost or abandoned 1743 property is held or stored. The advertisement must include a 1744 description of the goods and the time and place of the sale. The 1745 sale may take place no earlier than 10 days after the final 1746 publication. If there is no newspaper of general circulation in 1747 the county where the sale is to be held, the advertisement shall 1748 be posted at the door of the courthouse and at three other 1749 public places in the county at least 10 days prior to sale. 1750 Notice of the agency's intended disposition shall describe the 1751 property in a manner reasonably adequate to permit the rightful 1752 owner of the property to identify it. 1753 Section 27. Subsections (1), (2), and (3) of section 1754 823.11, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 1755 823.11 Derelict vessels; relocation or removal; penalty.-1756

As used in this section and $\underline{s. 376.15}$, the term: (1)

1757 (a) "Commission" means the Fish and Wildlife Conservation 1758 Commission.

"Derelict vessel" means a vessel, as defined in s. 1759 (b) 327.02, that is left, stored, or abandoned: 1760

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1761	1. In a wrecked, junked, or substantially dismantled
1762	condition upon any public waters of this state.
1763	a. A vessel is wrecked if it is sunken or sinking; aground
1764	without the ability to extricate itself absent mechanical
1765	assistance; or remaining after a marine casualty, including, but
1766	not limited to, a boating accident, extreme weather, or a fire.
1767	b. A vessel is junked if it has been substantially
1768	stripped of vessel components, if vessel components have
1769	substantially degraded or been destroyed, or if the vessel has
1770	been discarded by the owner or operator. Attaching an outboard
1771	motor to a vessel that is otherwise junked will not cause the
1772	vessel to no longer be junked if such motor is not an effective
1773	means of propulsion as required by s. 327.4107(2)(e) and
1774	associated rules.
1775	c. A vessel is substantially dismantled if at least two of
1776	the three following vessel systems or components are missing,
1777	compromised, incomplete, inoperable, or broken:
1778	(I) The steering system;
1779	(II) The propulsion system; or
1780	(III) The exterior hull integrity.
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1782	Attaching an outboard motor to a vessel that is otherwise
1783	substantially dismantled will not cause the vessel to no longer
1784	be substantially dismantled if such motor is not an effective
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1785 means of propulsion as required by s. 327.4107(2)(e) and 1786 associated rules. 1787 2. At a port in this state without the consent of the 1788 agency having jurisdiction thereof. 1789 3. Docked, grounded, or beached upon the property of 1790 another without the consent of the owner of the property. 1791 (C) "Gross negligence" means conduct so reckless or 1792 wanting in care that it constitutes a conscious disregard or 1793 indifference to the safety of the property exposed to such 1794 conduct. 1795 "Willful misconduct" means conduct evidencing (d) 1796 carelessness or negligence of such a degree or recurrence as to 1797 manifest culpability, wrongful intent, or evil design or to show 1798 an intentional and substantial disregard of the interests of the 1799 vessel owner. 1800 (2) (a) It is unlawful for A person, firm, or corporation 1801 may not to store, leave, or abandon any derelict vessel upon 1802 waters of in this state. For purposes of this paragraph, the 1803 term "leave" means to allow a vessel to remain occupied or 1804 unoccupied on the waters of this state for more than 24 hours. 1805 (b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), a person who owns or 1806 operates a vessel that becomes derelict upon the waters of this 1807 state solely as a result of a boating accident that is reported to law enforcement in accordance with s. 327.301 or otherwise 1808 1809 reported to law enforcement; a hurricane; or another sudden

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1810	event outside of his or her control may not be charged with a
1811	violation if:
1812	1. The person documents for law enforcement the specific
1813	event that led to the vessel being derelict upon the waters of
1814	this state; and
1815	2. The vessel has been removed from the waters of this
1816	state or has been repaired or addressed and is no longer
1817	derelict upon the waters of this state:
1818	a. Within 7 days after a boating accident or other sudden
1819	event outside of his or her control; or
1820	b. Within 45 days after a hurricane has passed over the
1821	state.
1822	(c) This subsection does not apply to a vessel that was
1823	derelict upon the waters of this state before the stated
1824	accident or event.
1825	(3) The commission, <u>an officer</u> officers of the commission,
1826	or a and any law enforcement agency or officer specified in s.
1827	327.70 <u>may</u> are authorized and empowered to relocate, remove,
1828	store, destroy, or dispose of, or cause to be relocated, or
1829	removed, stored, destroyed, or disposed of, a derelict vessel
1830	from public waters <u>of this state as defined in s. 327.02</u> if the
1831	derelict vessel obstructs or threatens to obstruct navigation or
1832	in any way constitutes a danger to the environment, property, or
1833	persons. The commission, <u>an officer</u> officers of the commission,
1834	or any other law enforcement agency or officer acting pursuant

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1835 <u>to under this subsection to relocate, remove, store, destroy,</u> 1836 <u>dispose of, or cause to be relocated, or removed, stored,</u> 1837 <u>destroyed, or disposed of, a derelict vessel from public waters</u> 1838 <u>of this state</u> shall be held harmless for all damages to the 1839 derelict vessel resulting from such <u>action relocation or removal</u> 1840 unless the damage results from gross negligence or willful 1841 misconduct.

(a) Removal, storage, destruction, and disposal of
derelict vessels under this subsection may be funded by grants
provided in ss. 206.606 and 376.15. The commission shall
implement a plan for the procurement of any available federal
disaster funds and use such funds for the removal, storage,
destruction, and disposal of derelict vessels.

1848 All costs, including costs owed to a third party, (b) incurred by the commission, another or other law enforcement 1849 1850 agency, or a governmental subdivision, when the governmental 1851 subdivision has received authorization from a law enforcement 1852 officer or agency, for in the relocation, or removal, storage, 1853 destruction, or disposal of a derelict vessel are recoverable against the vessel owner or the party determined to be legally 1854 1855 responsible for the vessel being upon the waters of this state 1856 in a derelict condition. The Department of Legal Affairs shall 1857 represent the commission in actions to recover such costs. As provided in s. 705.103(4), a person who neglects or refuses to 1858 1859 pay such costs may not be issued a certificate of registration

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1860 for such vessel or for any other vessel or motor vehicle until 1861 such costs have been paid. A person who has neglected or refused 1862 to pay all costs of removal, storage, destruction, or disposal 1863 of a derelict vessel as provided in this section, after having 1864 been provided written notice via certified mail that such costs 1865 are owed, and who applies for and is issued a registration for a 1866 vessel or motor vehicle before such costs have been paid in full 1867 commits a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as 1868 provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

1869 (C) A contractor performing relocation, or removal, 1870 storage, destruction, or disposal activities at the direction of 1871 the commission, an officer officers of the commission, or a law 1872 enforcement agency or officer, or a governmental subdivision, 1873 when the governmental subdivision has received authorization 1874 from a law enforcement officer or agency, pursuant to this 1875 section must be licensed in accordance with applicable United 1876 States Coast Guard regulations where required; obtain and carry 1877 in full force and effect a policy from a licensed insurance 1878 carrier in this state to insure against any accident, loss, 1879 injury, property damage, or other casualty caused by or 1880 resulting from the contractor's actions; and be properly 1881 equipped to perform the services to be provided.

1882Section 28. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this1883act, this act shall take effect July 1, 2021.

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