

1                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to human trafficking; creating s.  
3           787.08, F.S.; requiring the Department of  
4           Transportation and certain employers to display human  
5           trafficking public awareness signs at specified  
6           locations; providing civil penalties for violations;  
7           requiring the Attorney General, in consultation with  
8           certain others, to develop specifications for the form  
9           and content of such signs; providing sign  
10          requirements; providing that the Attorney General is  
11          responsible for enforcement; requiring rulemaking;  
12          providing an effective date.

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

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16          Section 1.   Section 787.08, Florida Statutes, is created to  
17          read:

18          787.08 Human trafficking public awareness signs.—

19          (1) The Department of Transportation shall display a  
20          public awareness sign developed under subsection (3) in every  
21          rest area and welcome center in the state that is open to the  
22          public.

23          (2) (a) The employer at each of the following  
24          establishments shall display a public awareness sign developed  
25          under subsection (3) near the public entrance of the  
26          establishment or in another conspicuous location that is clearly

27 visible to both the public and employees of the establishment:

28 1. A strip club or other adult entertainment  
 29 establishment.

30 2. An establishment found to be a nuisance for  
 31 prostitution under s. 893.138.

32 3. A primary airport.

33 4. A passenger or light rail station.

34 5. A bus station.

35 6. A truck stop. For purposes of this subparagraph, the  
 36 term "truck stop" means a privately owned and operated facility  
 37 that provides food, fuel, shower or other sanitary facilities,  
 38 and lawful overnight truck parking.

39 7. An emergency room within a general acute care hospital.

40 8. An urgent care center.

41 9. The premises of a farm labor contractor where farm  
 42 laborers are regularly present.

43 10. A privately operated job recruitment center.

44 11. A business or establishment that offers massage or  
 45 bodywork services for compensation.

46 12. A public K-12 school as described in s. 1000.04.

47 13. A public library.

48 (b) The Attorney General shall impose a civil penalty of  
 49 \$500 for a first offense and \$1,000 for a second or subsequent  
 50 offense for an employer who knowingly fails to comply with  
 51 paragraph (a). The civil penalty is the exclusive remedy for  
 52 failure to comply with this section.

53 (3) (a) The Attorney General shall, in consultation with  
54 anti-trafficking organizations and human trafficking survivors,  
55 develop specifications for the form and content of signs  
56 required by this section.

57 (b) The required public notice must be at least 8.5 inches  
58 by 11 inches in size, must be printed in at least a 16-point  
59 type, and must state substantially the following in English,  
60 Spanish, or any other language required by the Attorney General:

61 "If you or someone you know is being forced to engage in an  
62 activity and cannot leave--whether it is commercial sex,  
63 housework, farm work, factory work, retail work, restaurant  
64 work, or any other activity--call the National Human  
65 Trafficking Resource Center at [insert number] or text INFO  
66 or HELP to [insert number] to access help and services.  
67 Victims of slavery and human trafficking are protected  
68 under United States and Florida law."

69 (4) The Attorney General is responsible for enforcement of  
70 this section and shall adopt rules to implement this section.

71 Section 2. This act shall take effect January 1, 2016.