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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to workplace safety; creating s. 284.51, F.S.; providing definitions; requiring all public employers to comply with certain federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration standards by a certain date; requiring the Department of Financial Services to annually report injury and illness data for public employers to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives and publish such data on the department's website; requiring the department to provide certain information on its website by a certain date; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Section 284.51, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

284.51 Public employer workplace safety.—

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

(a) "Department" means the Department of Financial Services.

(b) "OSHA" means the Occupational Safety and Health Administration in the United States Department of Labor.

(c) "Public employer" means any agency within state, county, or municipal government, including any school district, which employs individuals for salary, wages, or other remuneration.

(2) Effective June 30, 2015, all public employers must

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30 comply with OSHA general industry standards, 29 C.F.R. part
31 1910, and OSHA construction standards, 29 C.F.R. part 1926, as
32 applicable.
33 (3) The department shall annually report to the Governor,
34 the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of
35 Representatives the injury and illness data for public employers
36 in the aggregate as well as on a per-public-employer basis. Such
37 data shall be published on the department's website.
38 (4) Effective October 1, 2012, the department shall
39 establish and publicize on its website, for public employers and
40 employees to access, information related to workplace safety.
41 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2012.

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