CHAPTER 2016-188

Senate Bill No. 498

An act relating to the repeal of a prohibition on cohabitation; amending s. 798.02, F.S.; deleting provisions prohibiting cohabitation by unmarried men and women; providing an effective date.

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

   Section 1. Section 798.02, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

798.02 Lewd and lascivious behavior.—If any man and woman, not being married to each other, lewdly and lasciviously associate and cohabit together, or If any man or woman, married or unmarried, engages in open and gross lewdness and lascivious behavior, they shall be guilty of a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

   Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

Approved by the Governor April 6, 2016.

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