An act relating to Operation New Hope; creating s. 944.7071, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Corrections to contract with Operation New Hope for specified services; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Section 944.7071, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

944.7071 Operation New Hope.—As authorized by and consistent with funding appropriated in the General Appropriations Act, the department may contract, in accordance with s. 944.706, with Operation New Hope, a nonprofit organization exempt from taxation pursuant to s. 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, to provide reentry services, including, but not limited to, counseling, providing information on housing and job placement, money management assistance, and programs that address substance abuse, mental health, and co-occurring conditions.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2023.

Approved by the Governor June 21, 2023.

Filed in Office Secretary of State June 21, 2023.