

# PUBLIC SAFETY & & DOMESTIC SECURITY POLICY COMMITTEE

THURSDAY, JANUARY 21, 2010 10:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. 404 HOB

# MEETING PACKET

Larry Cretul Speaker Kevin C. Ambler Chair

# Committee Meeting Notice HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

#### **Public Safety & Domestic Security Policy Committee**

**Start Date and Time:** 

Thursday, January 21, 2010 10:00 am

**End Date and Time:** 

Thursday, January 21, 2010 12:00 pm

Location:

404 HOB

**Duration:** 

2.00 hrs

#### Consideration of the following bill(s):

HB 23 Parole for Adolescent Offenders by Weinstein
HB 183 Special Organized Crime Investigators by Pafford
HB 203 Community Corrections Assistance to Counties or County Consortiums by Reed
HB 369 Murder by Snyder



### The Florida House of Representatives

Criminal & Civil Justice Policy Council

Committee on Public Safety & Domestic Security Policy

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#### **AGENDA**

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- II. Roll call by CAA
- III. Consideration of the following bill(s)
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- IV. Closing Remarks
- V. Meeting Adjourned

#### HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STAFF ANALYSIS

BILL #:

HB 23

Parole for Adolescent Offenders

SPONSOR(S): Weinstein and others

**TIED BILLS:** 

IDEN./SIM. BILLS: SB 184

REFERENCE	ACTION	ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR
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#### **SUMMARY ANALYSIS**

This bill creates the possibility of parole release for adolescent offenders. The bill creates a new inmate designation, "adolescent offender," which is defined as an offender, 15 years old or younger at the time the criminal act was committed, who was sentenced to life or to a single or cumulative term of imprisonment of 10 years or more. The bill excludes an adolescent offender from parole eligibility if he or she had a prior conviction or was adjudicated delinquent for a number of specified offenses. Also, the bill provides that the offender must serve a minimum of 8 years of their sentence before becoming eligible for release.

The bill requires the Florida Parole Commission to conduct an initial eligibility interview with the adolescent offender during the 8<sup>th</sup> year of incarceration, and every 2 years thereafter. To be eligible for parole, the offender must have completed a General Educational Development (GED) program and received no disciplinary reports during the two years prior to the interview and subsequent interviews. The bill provides additional criteria for the consideration of the offender's rehabilitation status.

The bill specifies that an eligible offender must be placed in a facility that has a GED program, unless they have already completed a GED program.

The bill provides that if the offender is granted parole, he or she must participate in any available reentry program for 2 years.

This bill will take effect upon becoming a law and applies with respect to offenses committed before, on, or after that date.

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#### **HOUSE PRINCIPLES**

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- Balance the state budget.
- Create a legal and regulatory environment that fosters economic growth and job creation.
- Lower the tax burden on families and businesses.
- · Reverse or restrain the growth of government.
- Promote public safety.
- Promote educational accountability, excellence, and choice.
- Foster respect for the family and for innocent human life.
- Protect Florida's natural beauty.

#### **FULL ANALYSIS**

#### I. SUBSTANTIVE ANALYSIS

#### A. EFFECT OF PROPOSED CHANGES:

#### **Parole**

Parole is a discretionary prison release mechanism administered by the Florida Parole Commission (commission) through chs. 947, 948, and 949, F.S. An inmate who is granted parole is allowed to serve the remainder of his or her prison sentence outside of confinement according to terms and conditions established by the commission. Parolees are supervised by Correctional Probation Officers of the Department of Corrections (department). Inmates who were sentenced as adults for offenses committed prior to reaching 18 years of age are eligible for parole on the same basis as other inmates. Parole is not available for most crimes that were committed on or after October 1, 1983. There is no parole eligibility for any crime committed on or after October 1, 1995. The commission reported that on June 30, 2009, there were 5,826 inmates currently eligible for parole consideration with about 450 under supervision. This includes a small percentage who committed their parole-eligible crime when they were less than 18 years of age.<sup>2</sup>

The parole process begins with the setting of a presumptive parole release date (PPRD) by the commission after a parole examiner reviews the inmate's file and makes an initial recommendation. The date of the initial interview depends upon the length and type of the parole-eligible sentence. For example, an inmate with a minimum mandatory sentence of 7 to 15 years is not eligible to have an initial interview sooner than 12 months prior to expiration of the minimum mandatory portion of the sentence. An inmate may request one review of the initial PPRD within 60 days after notification.

If the PPRD is more than 2 years after the date of the initial interview a hearing examiner must interview the inmate to review the PPRD within 2 years after the initial interview and every 2 years thereafter.<sup>3</sup> These interviews are limited to determining whether or not information has been gathered

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The exceptions are for capital felony murders committed prior to October 1, 1994, and capital felony sexual battery prior to October 1, 1995.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Parole Commission 2010 Analysis of HB 23.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> However, s. 947.174(1)(b), F.S., provides for less frequent reviews for an inmate whose PPRD is more than 5 years from the date of the initial interview if he or she was convicted of murder, attempted murder, sexual battery, or attempted sexual battery, or is serving a 25-year minimum mandatory sentence under s. 775.082, F.S. In such cases, subsequent interviews to review the PPRD may be conducted every 5 years if the commission makes a written finding that it is not reasonable to expect that parole will be granted.

which might affect the PPRD.<sup>4</sup> The department is responsible for bringing to the attention of the commission any information that may be pertinent for review, such as current progress reports, psychological reports, and disciplinary reports.<sup>5</sup> In consultation with the department, the commission has developed guidelines defining unsatisfactory institutional record.<sup>6</sup> The commission has defined what constitutes a satisfactory release plan and verification of the plan prior to release.<sup>7</sup>

The commission determines the terms and conditions of parole. Statutorily, conditions of parole are not specific, except for provisions that require:

- The offender to submit to random substance abuse testing, if the offender's conviction was for a controlled substance violation.
- The offender to not knowingly associate with other criminal gang members or associates, if the offender's conviction was for a crime that involved criminal gang activity.
- The offender to pay debt due and owing to the state under s. 960.17, F.S., or attorney's fees and costs due and owing to the state under s. 938.29, F.S.<sup>8</sup>
- The offender to pay victim restitution.9
- The offender to apply for services from the Agency for Persons with Disabilities, if the offender has been diagnosed as mentally retarded.<sup>10</sup>

Most crimes committed by juveniles<sup>11</sup> are dealt with through delinquency proceedings as set forth in ch. 985, F.S. However, the law provides a mechanism for juvenile offenders to be tried and handled as adults. A person who commits a crime while 13 years old or younger may only be tried as an adult if a grand jury indictment is returned.<sup>12</sup> A juvenile who is fourteen or older at the time of committing certain felony offenses may be tried as an adult if a grand jury indictment is returned; if juvenile court jurisdiction is waived and the case is transferred for prosecution as an adult pursuant to s. 985.556, F.S.; or if the state attorney direct files an information in adult court pursuant to s. 985.557, F.S. Section 985.56, F.S., provides that a juvenile charged with an offense punishable by death or life imprisonment may not be tried as an adult unless a grand jury indictment is returned.

#### **Sentencing and Classification of Offenders**

A court may sentence as a "youthful offender" any person:

- Who is at least 18 years of age or who has been transferred for prosecution to the criminal division of the circuit court pursuant to ch. 985, F.S.;
- Who is found guilty of or who has tendered, and the court has accepted, a plea of nolo
  contendere or guilty to a crime that is, under the laws of this state, a felony if such crime was
  committed before the defendant's 21st birthday; and

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Section 947.174(1)(c), F.S.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Section 947.174(3), F.S.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Section 947.174(5)(a), F.S.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Section 947.174(5)(b), F.S.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Section 947.18, F.S.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Section 947.181, F.S.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Section 947.185, F.S.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Section 985.03(6), F.S., defines juvenile as "any unmarried person under the age of 18 who has not been emancipated by order of the court and who has been found or alleged to be dependent, in need of services, or from a family in need of services; or any married or unmarried person who is charged with a violation of law occurring prior to the time that person reached the age of 18 years."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> See Tate v. State, 864 So.2d 44 (Fla. 4th Dist. 2003).

 Who has not previously been classified as a youthful offender under the provisions of the Florida Youthful Offender Act;<sup>13</sup> however, any person found guilty of a capital or life felony may not be sentenced as a youthful offender under the act.<sup>14</sup>

Separate institutions and programs exist for youthful offenders that fall into two age groups: age 14 to 18 years old and age 19 to 24 years old. The department may initially assign inmates who are less than 18 years of age and who have not been assigned by the sentencing judge to a facility for youthful offenders under the provisions of chapter 958 to a facility designated for youthful offenders. The department is required to screen all institutions, facilities, and programs for inmates who meet the requirements specified in s. 958.04(1)(a) and (c) whose age does not exceed 24 years and whose total length of sentence does not exceed 10 years and the department may classify those inmates as a youthful offender. The department may classify any inmate 19 years of age or younger, except a capital or life felon, as a youthful offender if the department determines that the inmate's mental or physical vulnerability would substantially or materially jeopardize his or her safety in a non-youthful facility.

Parole for juveniles who received more than a 10 year adult prison sentence was one of the recommendations made by the Blueprint Commission through the Department of Juvenile Justice. 19

#### **Proposed Changes**

HB 23 creates the offender designation of adolescent offender, which is defined as an offender who was 15 years old or younger at the time of the criminal act who is sentenced to life or to a single or cumulative term of imprisonment of 10 years or more. An adolescent offender may be eligible for parole release.

The bill defines the term "current offense" as one or more crimes committed by the adolescent offender within a 1-month period of time or for which sentences run concurrently.

The bill excludes an adolescent offender from parole eligibility if he or she, before the current offense, had a prior conviction or was adjudicated delinquent for a number of specified offenses:

- Murder,
- Felony battery,
- Aggravated battery,
- Assault or battery of law enforcement officers, firefighters, emergency medical care providers, public transit employees or agents or other specified officers,
- Assault or battery on persons 65 years of age or older.
- Kidnapping,
- Persons engaged in criminal offense, having weapons.
- Sexual battery.
- · Carjacking,
- Home-invasion robberv.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Sections 958.011-958.15, F.S.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Section 958.04(1)(c), F.S.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> Section 958.11(1), F.S.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> Section 944.1905(5)(a), F.S.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> Section 958.11(4), F.S.

<sup>18</sup> Section 958.11(6), F.S.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> "Getting Smart about Juvenile Justice in Florida," January 2008.

- Abuse, aggravated abuse, and neglect of a child, or
- Cruelty to animals.

The bill requires the commission to conduct an initial eligibility interview during the 8<sup>th</sup> year of incarceration, and every 2 years thereafter. To be eligible for parole, the offender must have completed a General Educational Development (GED) program unless waived due to a disability, and received no disciplinary reports for a period of at least two years. The bill provides additional criteria for the consideration of the offender's rehabilitation status. The hearing examiner must take into serious consideration the wishes of the victim or the opinions of the victim's next of kin, and consider whether:

- The offender was principal to the criminal offense or an accomplice, a relatively minor participant, or acted under extreme duress or domination of another person,
- The offender has shown remorse for the criminal offense.
- The offender's age, maturity, and psychological development at the time of the offense affected her or his behavior.
- The offender, while in the custody of the department, aided inmates suffering from catastrophic or terminal medical, mental or physical conditions or has prevented risk or injury to staff, citizens, or other inmates.
- The offender has successfully completed educational and self-rehabilitation programs, and
- The offender was a victim of sexual, physical, or emotional abuse.

The bill specifies that an adolescent offender must be placed in a facility that has a GED program, <sup>20</sup> unless the offender has already completed a GED program.

The department reports that 432 inmates currently incarcerated committed their primary offense at age 15 or younger and are serving a sentence of 10 years or more. Of these inmates, 154 have served 8 years of their sentence and would be eligible for an initial interview. Of these 154 inmates, 72 have attained GEDs. Of those 72 inmates, only 23 have had no disciplinary reports in the preceding 2 years.<sup>21</sup>

The bill provides that if the offender is granted parole, he or she must participate in any available reentry program for 2 years. The bill defines "re-entry program" as a program that promotes effective reintegration of adolescent offenders back into communities upon release and provides one or more of the following: vocational training, placement services, transitional housing, mentoring, or drug rehabilitation. Priority shall be given to re-entry programs that are residential, highly structured, self-reliant, and therapeutic communities.

This bill will take effect upon becoming a law and will apply with respect to offenses committed before, on, or after that date.

B. SECTION DIRECTORY: Section 1. Provides a title for this act as the "Second Chance for Children in Prison Act."

Section 2. Amends s. 947.16, F.S.; relating to eligibility for parole; initial parole interviews; powers and duties of commission.

Section 3. Provides that if an adolescent offender is eligible, he or she must receive an initial interview in their 8th or subsequent year of incarceration on the effective date of this act.

Section 4. This bill takes effect upon becoming a law and applies with respect to offenses committed before, on, or after that date.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> According to the Department of Corrections 2009 Analysis of HB 757, only one third of the adult facilities have GED programs.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> Department of Corrections 2010 Analysis of HB 23.

#### II. FISCAL ANALYSIS & ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

#### A. FISCAL IMPACT ON STATE GOVERNMENT:

1. Revenues:

See "Fiscal Comments."

2. Expenditures:

See "Fiscal Comments."

#### B. FISCAL IMPACT ON LOCAL GOVERNMENTS:

1. Revenues:

None.

2. Expenditures:

None.

C. DIRECT ECONOMIC IMPACT ON PRIVATE SECTOR:

None.

#### D. FISCAL COMMENTS:

The Department of Corrections (department) reports that if classification staff are tasked with the responsibilities of a commission's "field examiner," (similar to the duties related to conditional release under §947.1405) it may increase their workload depending on the number to be interviewed. In addition, the department's computerized Offender Based Information System (OBIS) would require some reprogramming to capture information that a given inmate is parole eligible.

For Fiscal Year 2007-2008, the annual cost to house a male youthful offender exceeded \$23,000. Although the department does not anticipate a significant number of inmates would be paroled to justify additional probation officers, the cost avoidance would be offset slightly as the average annual cost of supervision is \$1,856.

The Parole Commission reports that the work increase from reviewing existing and future cases would be slight and does not anticipate a need for increase staff.

The Criminal Justice Impact Conference has not yet provided an analysis of HB 23; however in 2009 it reported an indeterminate fiscal impact.

#### III. COMMENTS

#### A. CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES:

1. Applicability of Municipality/County Mandates Provision:

Not applicable because this bill does not appear to: require cities or counties to spend funds or take actions requiring the expenditure of funds; reduce the authority that cities or counties have to raise revenues in the aggregate; or reduce the percentage of a state tax shared with cities or counties.

2. Other:

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#### B. RULE-MAKING AUTHORITY:

None.

#### C. DRAFTING ISSUES OR OTHER COMMENTS:

The bill provides very specific language for the hearing examiner to consider regarding whether the inmate has "aided inmates suffering from catastrophic or terminal medical, mental, or physical conditions or has prevented risk or injury to staff, citizens, or other inmates." This language may be tailored to a situation applicable to an inmate who may be affected by this bill if passed. The language provided in this section applies only to the consideration of the hearing examiner but does not specify if the commission should also consider this criterion when deciding whether the offender is rehabilitated.

The bill would allow adolescent offenders to circumvent the mandatory 85% minimum sentenced served requirement as provided in s. 944.275(4)(b)3., F.S.

The bill does not provide the department an alternative if a suitable re-entry program is not available for a paroled offender.

The bill does not specify which agency will waive the GED requirement.

On November 9, 2009, the Supreme Court of the United States heard oral arguments in the cases of <u>Sullivan v. Florida</u> and <u>Graham v. Florida</u>. Both petitioners were juveniles at the time of their offenses and were sentenced to life in prison without the possibility of parole. The issue in these cases is whether sentencing juveniles who committed non-homicide offenses to life in prison without the possibility of parole is cruel and unusual punishment under the Eighth Amendment.

IV. AMENDMENTS/COUNCIL OR COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE CHANGES

1 A bill to be entitled 2 An act relating to parole for adolescent offenders; 3 providing a short title; amending s. 947.16, F.S.; 4 providing definitions; providing that an adolescent 5 offender who was 15 years of age or younger at the time of 6 commission of an offense and who is sentenced to life or a 7 single or cumulative term of 10 years or more in prison is 8 eligible for parole if the offender has been incarcerated 9 for a minimum period and has not previously been convicted 10 of or adjudicated delinquent for certain offenses; 11 requiring an initial eligibility interview to determine 12 whether the adolescent offender has been sufficiently 13 rehabilitated for parole; providing criteria to determine 14 sufficient rehabilitation; providing eligibility for a reinterview after a specified period for adolescent 15 16 offenders denied parole; providing that the adolescent 17 offender be incarcerated in a facility that has a GED 18 program; providing that if the adolescent offender is 19 granted parole, the adolescent offender must participate 20 in any available reentry program for 2 years; defining the term "reentry program"; providing priority for certain 21 22 programs; providing for eligibility for an initial 23 eligibility interview for offenders in their eighth or 24 subsequent year of incarceration on the effective date of 2.5 the act; providing for retroactive application; providing 26 an effective date.

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

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- Section 1. This act may be cited as the "Second Chance for Children in Prison Act."
- Section 2. Subsections (2) through (6) of section 947.16, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (3) through (7), respectively, and a new subsection (2) is added to that section to read:
- 947.16 Eligibility for parole; initial parole interviews; powers and duties of commission; adolescent offender eligibility.--
  - (2)(a) As used in this subsection, the term:
- 1. "Adolescent offender" means an offender who was 15
  years of age or younger at the time the criminal act was
  committed and was sentenced to life or to a single or cumulative
  term of imprisonment of 10 years or more.
- 2. "Current offense" means the offense for which the adolescent offender is being considered for parole and any other crimes committed by the adolescent offender within a 1-month period of that offense, or for which sentences run concurrent to that offense.
- (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (1) or of any other law to the contrary, an adolescent offender may be eligible for parole as provided in this subsection. An adolescent offender is ineligible under this subsection if she or he, before conviction of the current offense, was convicted of or adjudicated delinquent for any violation of:
  - 1. Section 782.04, entitled "Murder";
  - 2. Section 784.041, entitled "Felony battery; domestic

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57 battery by strangulation"; 58 3. Section 784.045, entitled "Aggravated battery"; 4. Section 784.07, entitled "Assault or battery of law 59 enforcement officers, firefighters, emergency medical care 60 61 providers, public transit employees or agents, or other 62 specified officers; reclassification of offenses; minimum 63 sentences"; 64 5. Section 784.08, entitled "Assault or battery on persons 65 65 years of age or older; reclassification of offenses; minimum 66 sentence"; 67 6. Section 787.01, entitled "Kidnapping; kidnapping of 68 child under age 13, aggravating circumstances"; 7. Section 790.07, entitled "Persons engaged in criminal 69<sup>1</sup> 70 offense, having weapons"; 71 8. Section 794.011, entitled "Sexual battery"; 72 9. Section 812.133, entitled "Carjacking"; 73 10. Section 812.135, entitled "Home-invasion robbery"; 74 11. Section 827.03, entitled "Abuse, aggravated abuse, and 75 neglect of a child; penalties"; or 76 12. Section 828.12(2), entitled "Cruelty to animals." 77 (c) Before an adolescent offender may be granted parole 78 under this subsection, she or he must have an initial 79 eligibility interview to determine whether she or he has been 80 sufficiently rehabilitated while in the custody of the 81 department to justify granting parole. The initial eligibility 82 interview will occur in the eighth year of incarceration. In 83 order to determine if the adolescent offender has been

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sufficiently rehabilitated, she or he must have successfully

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completed the General Educational Development (GED) program
unless waived based on disability and have received no approved
disciplinary reports for a period of at least 2 years
immediately prior to the current eligibility interview. The
hearing examiner must also take into serious consideration the
wishes of the victim or the opinions of the victim's next of kin
and consider whether:

- 1. The adolescent offender was a principal to the criminal offense or an accomplice to the offense, a relatively minor participant in the criminal offense, or acted under extreme duress or domination of another person.
- 2. The adolescent offender has shown remorse for the criminal offense.
- 3. The adolescent offender's age, maturity, and psychological development at the time of the offense affected her or his behavior.
- 4. The adolescent offender, while in the custody of the department, has aided inmates suffering from catastrophic or terminal medical, mental, or physical conditions or has prevented risk or injury to staff, citizens, or other inmates.
- 5. The adolescent offender has successfully completed educational and self-rehabilitation programs.
- 6. The adolescent offender was a victim of sexual, physical, or emotional abuse.
- (d) An adolescent offender who is not granted parole under this subsection after an initial eligibility interview shall be eligible for a reinterview 2 years after the date of the denial of the grant of parole and every 2 years thereafter.

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(e) An adolescent offender must serve her or his sentence in a facility that has a General Educational Development (GED) program unless the adolescent offender has already successfully completed a GED program.

dolescent offender must participate in any available reentry program for 2 years. As used in this paragraph, the term "reentry program" means a program that promotes effective reintegration of adolescent offenders back into communities upon release and provides one or more of the following: vocational training, placement services, transitional housing, mentoring, or drug rehabilitation. Priority shall be given to those reentry programs that are residential, highly structured, self-reliant, and therapeutic communities.

Section 3. An adolescent offender, as defined in s. 947.16(2)(a), Florida Statutes, as created by this act, who is in her or his eighth or subsequent year of incarceration on the effective date of this act must receive an initial eligibility interview as provided in s. 947.16(2)(c), Florida Statutes, as created by this act, if she or he is otherwise eligible.

Section 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, and applies with respect to offenses committed before, on, or after that date.

#### **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STAFF ANALYSIS**

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HB 183

Special Organized Crime Investigators

SPONSOR(S): Pafford TIED BILLS:

IDEN./SIM. BILLS: SB 502

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2)	Criminal & Civil Justice Appropriations Committee			
3)	Criminal & Civil Justice Policy Council			
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#### **SUMMARY ANALYSIS**

Currently s. 27.251, F.S., authorizes the state attorney of each judicial circuit to employ any municipal or county police officer or sheriff s deputy on a full-time basis as an investigator for the state attorney's office with full powers of arrest throughout the judicial circuit provided such investigator serves on a special task force to investigate matters involving "organized crime."

HB 183 expands s. 27.251, F.S., to allow for broader use of special investigator appointments by specifying that organized crime includes gang violence and that the special investigators may investigate other criminal activities where the use of an interagency task force may be beneficial.

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#### **HOUSE PRINCIPLES**

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- · Balance the state budget.
- Create a legal and regulatory environment that fosters economic growth and job creation.
- Lower the tax burden on families and businesses.
- Reverse or restrain the growth of government.
- · Promote public safety.
- Promote educational accountability, excellence, and choice.
- Foster respect for the family and for innocent human life.
- Protect Florida's natural beauty.

#### **FULL ANALYSIS**

#### I. SUBSTANTIVE ANALYSIS

#### A. EFFECT OF PROPOSED CHANGES:

#### **Background**

Section 27.251, F.S., authorizes the state attorney of each judicial circuit to employ any municipal or county police officer or sheriff's deputy on a full-time basis as an investigator for the state attorney's office with full powers of arrest throughout the judicial circuit provided such investigator serves on a special task force to investigate matters involving organized crime. Consent from the county, sheriff or municipality must be given in order for the municipal or county police officer or sheriff's deputy to become an investigator for the state attorney. The salary of such municipal or county police officer or sheriff's deputy is paid by the city, county, or sheriff by which the investigator is principally employed.

The arrest powers granted by this section are only in the furtherance of the conduct of the business of the special task force to which the municipal or county police officer or sheriff's deputy is assigned by the employing state attorney.

Section 27.255, F.S., provides that a special investigator appointed by a state attorney pursuant to the provisions of s. 27.251, F.S., is a certified Florida law enforcement officer under the direction and control of the employing state attorney and is authorized to make arrests and serve arrest and search warrants and other documents as specified in the section.

Staff of the State Attorney for the 15th Judicial Circuit has described how special investigators are used and the benefits accruing from such use:

Currently, State Attorneys use state attorney investigators to assist and supplement other investigative law enforcement efforts in developing and prosecuting cases in their respective jurisdictions. State attorneys are authorized and employ their own staff of law enforcement officers. See FI. Stat. 27.255. However, state attorneys also use specially sworn investigators pursuant to FI. Stat. 27.251 in any matter involving "organized crime." Of course, "organized crime" is a broad term which can include a wide range of criminal activities which involve a degree of organization and structure. The special investigators perform duties in furtherance of the task force under the direction of the state attorney, but remain paid by their respective local agencies. The advantage of this practice is that the State Attorney can guide and coordinate important investigative matters while not having to bear the financial burden of employing the investigators full-time on a permanent basis. The arrangement works well and is fiscally responsible.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> E-mail from Nicky Solimene, State Attorney's Office, 15<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit, to House staff, dated December 2, 2009.

#### **Proposed changes**

HB 183 amends s. 27.251, F.S., to allow for broader use of special investigator appointments by specifying that organized crime includes gang violence and that the special investigators may investigate other criminal activities where the use of an interagency task force may be beneficial.

#### **B. SECTION DIRECTORY:**

Section 1. Amends s. 27.251, F.S.; relating to special organized crime investigators.

Section 2. Provides for an effective date of July 1, 2010.

#### II. FISCAL ANALYSIS & ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

#### A. FISCAL IMPACT ON STATE GOVERNMENT:

1. Revenues:

None.

2. Expenditures:

See "Fiscal Comments."

#### B. FISCAL IMPACT ON LOCAL GOVERNMENTS:

1. Revenues:

None.

2. Expenditures:

See "Fiscal Comments."

C. DIRECT ECONOMIC IMPACT ON PRIVATE SECTOR:

None.

#### D. FISCAL COMMENTS:

This bill will not have a fiscal impact on state attorneys. This bill will have a fiscal impact on local law enforcement agencies or counties or municipalities to the extent that they consent to appoint an officer or deputy as a special investigator with the state attorney's office.

#### III. COMMENTS

#### A. CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES:

1. Applicability of Municipality/County Mandates Provision:

Not applicable because this bill does not appear to: require the counties or cities to spend funds or take an action requiring the expenditure of funds; reduce the authority that cities or counties have to raise revenues in the aggregate; or reduce the percentage of a state tax shared with cities or counties

2. Other:

None.

#### **B. RULE-MAKING AUTHORITY:**

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#### C. DRAFTING ISSUES OR OTHER COMMENTS:

The term "or other criminal activity the detection of which might benefit from an interagency task force" on lines 18 and 19 of the bill may be unclear.

#### IV. AMENDMENTS/COUNCIL OR COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE CHANGES

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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to special organized crime investigators; amending s. 27.251, F.S.; specifying matters that may be investigated by special organized crime investigators; providing an effective date.

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Section 1. Section 27.251, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

27.251 Special organized crime investigators. -- The state attorney of each judicial circuit is authorized to employ any municipal or county police officer or sheriff's deputy on a full-time basis as an investigator for the state attorney's office with full powers of arrest throughout the judicial circuit provided such investigator serves on a special task force to investigate matters involving organized crime, including gang violence, or other criminal activity the detection of which might benefit from an interagency task force and, provided further, that the salary of such municipal or county police officer or sheriff's deputy shall be paid by the city, county, or sheriff by which the investigator is principally employed, and with the consent of the county, sheriff, or municipality. The arrest powers granted in this section may herein shall be exercised only in the furtherance of the conduct of the business of the special task force to which such municipal or county police officer or sheriff's deputy is assigned by the said state attorney.

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29 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2010.

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#### **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STAFF ANALYSIS**

BILL #:

HB 203

Community Corrections Assistance to Counties or County Consortiums

SPONSOR(S): Reed

TIED BILLS:

IDEN./SIM. BILLS: SB 370

	REFERENCE	ACTION	ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR
1)	Public Safety & Domestic Security Policy Committee		Krol TK	Cunningham
2)	Criminal & Civil Justice Appropriations Committee			
3)	Criminal & Civil Justice Policy Council			
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#### **SUMMARY ANALYSIS**

This bill removes "military style boot camps" and adds "rehabilitative community reentry programs" to the list of programs that are specified as being eligible for community corrections funds if an appropriation is made.

This bill does not have a fiscal impact on state or local government.

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#### **HOUSE PRINCIPLES**

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- Balance the state budget.
- Create a legal and regulatory environment that fosters economic growth and job creation.
- · Lower the tax burden on families and businesses.
- Reverse or restrain the growth of government.
- · Promote public safety.
- Promote educational accountability, excellence, and choice.
- Foster respect for the family and for innocent human life.
- Protect Florida's natural beauty.

#### **FULL ANALYSIS**

#### I. SUBSTANTIVE ANALYSIS

#### A. EFFECT OF PROPOSED CHANGES:

Section 948.51, F.S., provides for community corrections assistance to counties and consortiums of counties through the distribution of funds administered by the Department of Corrections (department). It creates a framework for effectively disbursing funds to counties for the purpose of building and operating corrections and public safety programs. The purposes of the community corrections funds are to:

- Provide community-based corrections programs within county-owned or county-contracted residential probation programs;
- Provide nonincarcerative diversionary programs, such as pretrial release programs for juvenile
  or adult offenders who would otherwise be housed in a county or state detention facility or a
  state correctional institute;
- Provide community-based drug treatment programs;
- Provide funds to enhance programs within county detention facilities; and to
- Provide funds to enhance public safety and crime prevention programs.<sup>1</sup>

No funds have been distributed through this funding mechanism in recent years.

In order to enter into a community corrections partnership contract with the department, a county or consortium of counties must have established a public safety coordinating council under the provisions of s. 951.26, F.S. In turn, the public safety coordinating council must develop a public safety plan that is approved by the governing board of the county or counties and by the Secretary of Corrections in order to be eligible for community corrections funds. The plan must cover at least a 5-year program and include specific information about the programs to be offered, the target population for the programs, measurable goals and objectives, and projected costs and sources of funds. Section 948.51(4), F.S., lists ten types of programs, services, or facilities for which the Secretary may contract for the issuance of community corrections assistance funds to the counties if funds are appropriated by the Legislature.

Eligibility for funding is not restricted to the items on the list, which are:

- Programs providing pretrial services.
- Specialized divisions within the circuit or county court established for the purpose of hearing specific types of cases, such as drug cases or domestic violence cases.
- Work camps.

<sup>1</sup> Section 948.51(4)(a)1.-5., F.S.

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- Programs providing intensive probation supervision.
- Military-style boot camps.
- Work-release facilities.
- Centers to which offenders report during the day.
- Restitution centers.
- Inpatient or outpatient programs for substance abuse treatment and counseling.
- Vocational and educational programs.

Funds may not be used for fixed capital outlay to construct, add to, renovate, or operate a secure juvenile detention facility; for construction, addition to, renovation, or operation of any state facility; or for state probation officer salaries.

Congress passed the Second Chance Act (Public Law 110-199) in an attempt to help inmates safely and successfully transition back into the community. The Act adds numerous grants and opportunities for extending re-entry efforts at the state and local levels. It provides for community and faith-based organizations to deliver mentoring and transitional services to inmates returning to the community. It will also help connect inmates to mental health and substance abuse treatment, expand job training and placement services, and facilitate transitional housing and case management services. The department has three grants funded under the Second Chance Act: the 2006 Prisoner Reentry Initiative (Targeting Lifetime Success) in Broward, Palm Beach, and Dade Counties, the 2007 Prisoner Reentry Initiative (Bridges to Success) in Duval County, and the 2009 Prisoner Reentry Initiative (the Jacksonville Re-entry Center "Portal of Entry") in Duvall County. However, none of these grants is funded through the community corrections assistance fund mechanism in s. 948.51, F.S.

HB 203 adds "rehabilitative community reentry programs" to the list of programs that are specified as being eligible for funding with community corrections funds. However, the term "rehabilitative community reentry programs" is not defined in the bill.

The bill also removes "military style boot camps" from the list of programs eligible for funding with community corrections funds.

#### **B. SECTION DIRECTORY:**

Section 1. Amends s. 948.51, F.S., relating to community corrections assistance to counties or county consortiums.

Section 2. Provides an effective date of July 1, 2010.

#### II. FISCAL ANALYSIS & ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

#### A. FISCAL IMPACT ON STATE GOVERNMENT:

1. Revenues:

None.

2. Expenditures:

See "Fiscal Comments."

#### **B. FISCAL IMPACT ON LOCAL GOVERNMENTS:**

1. Revenues:

See "Fiscal Comments."

2. Expenditures:

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C. DIRECT ECONOMIC IMPACT ON PRIVATE SECTOR:

None.

D. FISCAL COMMENTS:

HB 203 does not have a fiscal impact on state or local government.

Distribution of community assistance funds under s. 948.51, F.S., is subject to appropriation of funds.

#### III. COMMENTS

#### A. CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES:

1. Applicability of Municipality/County Mandates Provision:

Not applicable because this bill does not appear to: require the counties or cities to spend funds or take an action requiring the expenditure of funds; reduce the authority that cities or counties have to raise revenues in the aggregate; or reduce the percentage of a state tax shared with cities or counties.

2. Other:

None.

**B. RULE-MAKING AUTHORITY:** 

None.

C. DRAFTING ISSUES OR OTHER COMMENTS:

None.

IV. AMENDMENTS/COUNCIL OR COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE CHANGES

1 A bill to be entitled 2 An act relating to community corrections assistance to 3 counties or county consortiums; amending s. 948.51, F.S.; 4 adding rehabilitative community reentry programs to the 5 list of programs, services, and facilities that may be 6 funded using community corrections funds; deleting 7 military-style boot camps from such list; providing an 8 effective date. 9 10 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 11 12 Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subsection (4) of section 13 948.51, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 14 948.51 Community corrections assistance to counties or 15 county consortiums. --16 PURPOSES OF COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS FUNDS. --17 Programs, services, and facilities that may be funded 18 under this section include, but are not limited to: 19 Programs providing pretrial services. 20 Specialized divisions within the circuit or county 21 court established for the purpose of hearing specific types of 22 cases, such as drug cases or domestic violence cases. 23 3. Work camps. 24 Programs providing intensive probation supervision. 25 5. Military-style boot camps.

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6.7. Centers to which offenders report during the day.

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7.8. Restitution centers.

5.6. Work-release facilities.

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29 8.9. Inpatient or outpatient programs for substance abuse 30 treatment and counseling.

- 9.10. Vocational and educational programs.
- 32 10. Rehabilitative community reentry programs.

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33 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2010.

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#### HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STAFF ANALYSIS

BILL #:

**HB 369** 

Murder

**TIED BILLS:** 

SPONSOR(S): Snyder

IDEN./SIM. BILLS: SB 808

REFERENCE **ACTION ANALYST** STAFF DIRECTOR Cunningham Public Safety & Domestic Security Policy Committee Padgett 7 Criminal & Civil Justice Appropriations Committee 3) Criminal & Civil Justice Policy Council 4)

#### **SUMMARY ANALYSIS**

Section 782.04(1)(a)3. F.S. provides the unlawful killing of a human being which resulted from the unlawful distribution of any substance controlled under s. 893.03(1), cocaine as described in s. 893.03(2)(a)4, or opium or any synthetic or natural salt, compound, derivative, or preparation of opium by a person 18 years of age or older, when such drug is proven to be the proximate cause of the death of the user is murder in the first degree and constitutes a capital felony, punishable as provided in s. 775.082.

In a recent court opinion, Florida's 4th District Court of Appeal upheld the dismissal of 1st degree murder charges against a defendant who sold methadone to a victim who later overdosed on the drug. holding that methadone is not a drug enumerated in Schedule I or a derivative of opium.

As a result of the court's decision, a death resulting from the unlawful distribution of methadone must be prosecuted as manslaughter under s. 782.07. F.S., which is a second degree felony.

The bill amends s. 782.04, F.S., to add methadone to the list of opium and opium derivatives in the first degree murder statute. This allows the state to prosecute a death resulting from the unlawful distribution of methadone as a capital felony in the same manner as a death resulting from opium and opium derivatives.

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#### **HOUSE PRINCIPLES**

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- Balance the state budget.
- Create a legal and regulatory environment that fosters economic growth and job creation.
- Lower the tax burden on families and businesses.
- · Reverse or restrain the growth of government.
- Promote public safety.
- Promote educational accountability, excellence, and choice.
- Foster respect for the family and for innocent human life.
- Protect Florida's natural beauty.

#### **FULL ANALYSIS**

#### I. SUBSTANTIVE ANALYSIS

#### A. EFFECT OF PROPOSED CHANGES:

#### **Present Situation**

Section 782.04(1)(a)3, F.S. provides the unlawful killing of a human being which resulted from the unlawful distribution of any substance controlled under s. 893.03(1)<sup>1</sup>, cocaine as described in s. 893.03(2)(a)4, or opium or any synthetic or natural salt, compound, derivative, or preparation of opium by a person 18 years of age or older, when such drug is proven to be the proximate cause of the death of the user is murder in the first degree and constitutes a capital felony<sup>2</sup>, punishable as provided in s. 775.082.

In <u>State v. McCartney</u>, 1 So.3d. 326 (Fla. 4th DCA, 2009) defendant was charged with first degree murder as the result of a death caused by an overdose of methadone which was sold to the victim by the defendant. The trial court granted a motion to dismiss the case because methadone is not a drug enumerated in Schedule I under the above statute. The state appealed, arguing that methadone does fall within the statute because it is a synthetic of opium. The Fourth District Court of Appeal held that methadone is not a synthetic of opium, but a substance that affects the body in the same manner as opium.<sup>3</sup>

As a result of the court's decision, a death resulting from the unlawful distribution of methadone must be prosecuted as manslaughter under s. 782.07, F.S., which is a second degree felony<sup>4</sup>.

#### **Proposed Changes**

The bill amends s. 782.04, F.S., to add methadone to the list of opium and opium derivatives in the first degree murder statute. This allows the state to prosecute a death resulting from the unlawful distribution of methadone as a capital felony in the same manner as a death resulting from opium and opium derivatives.

#### **B. SECTION DIRECTORY:**

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Section 893.03(1), F.S. contains a list of Schedule I illegal substances. Schedule I substances have a high potential for abuse and have no currently accepted medical use in treatment and use under medical supervision does not meet accepted safety standards.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> A capital felony is punishable by death, or life imprisonment without the possibility of parole. Section 775.082(1), F.S.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The court also noted that methadone is specifically listed as a Schedule II substance under s. 893.03(2)(b)14, F.S.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> A second degree felony is punishable by up to 15 years imprisonment and a maximum \$10,000 fine. Section 775.082, 775.083, 775.084, F.S.

- Section 1: Amends s. 782.04, F.S., relating to murder.
- Section 2: Reenacts s. 775.0823, F.S., relating to violent offenses committed against law enforcement officers, correctional officers, state attorneys, assistant state attorneys, justices, or judges.
- Section 3: Reenacts s. 782.065, F.S., relating to murder; law enforcement officer.
- Section 4: Reenacts s. 921.0022, F.S., relating to criminal punishment code; offense severity ranking chart.
- Section 5: Reenacts s. 947.146, F.S., relating to control release authority.
- Section 6: Provides effective date of October 1, 2009.

#### II. FISCAL ANALYSIS & ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

#### A. FISCAL IMPACT ON STATE GOVERNMENT:

1. Revenues:

None.

2. Expenditures:

See fiscal comments.

- **B. FISCAL IMPACT ON LOCAL GOVERNMENTS:** 
  - 1. Revenues:

None.

2. Expenditures:

None.

C. DIRECT ECONOMIC IMPACT ON PRIVATE SECTOR:

None.

D. FISCAL COMMENTS:

The Criminal Justice Impact Conference has not met to determine the prison bed impact of the bill.

#### III. COMMENTS

#### A. CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES:

1. Applicability of Municipality/County Mandates Provision:

This bill appears to be exempt from the requirements of Article VII, Section 18 of the Florida Constitution because it is a criminal law.

2. Other:

None.

**B. RULE-MAKING AUTHORITY:** 

None.

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C. DRAFTING ISSUES OR OTHER COMMENTS: None.

IV. AMENDMENTS/COUNCIL OR COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE CHANGES

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1 A bill to be entitled 2 An act relating to murder; amending s. 782.04, F.S.; providing that murder in the first degree includes the 3 unlawful killing of a human being which resulted from the 4 5 unlawful distribution of methadone by a person aged 18 or 6 older when such drug is proven to be the proximate cause 7 of the death of the user; providing penalties; reenacting 8 ss. 775.0823(1) and (2), 782.065(1), 921.0022(3)(i), and 9 947.146(3)(i), F.S., relating to violent offenses 10 committed against law enforcement officers, correctional 11 officers, state attorneys, assistant state attorneys, 12 justices, or judges, murder of law enforcement officer, 13 the Criminal Punishment Code offense severity ranking 14 chart, and the Control Release Authority, respectively, to 15 incorporate the amendment to s. 782.04, F.S., in 16 references thereto; providing an effective date. 17 18 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 19 20 Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 21 782.04, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 22 782.04 Murder.-23 (1)(a) The unlawful killing of a human being: 24 When perpetrated from a premeditated design to effect 25 the death of the person killed or any human being; 26 When committed by a person engaged in the perpetration

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of, or in the attempt to perpetrate, any:

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is murder in the first degree and constitutes a capital felony, punishable as provided in s. 775.082.

Section 2. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 782.04, Florida Statutes, in references thereto, subsections (1) and (2) of section 775.0823, Florida Statutes, are reenacted to read:

775.0823 Violent offenses committed against law enforcement officers, correctional officers, state attorneys, assistant state attorneys, justices, or judges.—The Legislature does hereby provide for an increase and certainty of penalty for any person convicted of a violent offense against any law enforcement or correctional officer, as defined in s. 943.10(1), (2), (3), (6), (7), (8), or (9); against any state attorney elected pursuant to s. 27.01 or assistant state attorney appointed under s. 27.181; or against any justice or judge of a court described in Art. V of the State Constitution, which offense arises out of or in the scope of the officer's duty as a law enforcement or correctional officer, the state attorney's or assistant state attorney's duty as a prosecutor or investigator, or the justice's or judge's duty as a judicial officer, as follows:

- (1) For murder in the first degree as described in s. 782.04(1), if the death sentence is not imposed, a sentence of imprisonment for life without eligibility for release.
- (2) For attempted murder in the first degree as described in s. 782.04(1), a sentence pursuant to s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

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Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 948.01, with respect to any person who is found to have violated this section, adjudication of guilt or imposition of sentence shall not be suspended, deferred, or withheld.

Section 3. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 782.04, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, subsection (1) of section 782.065, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

782.065 Murder; law enforcement officer.—Notwithstanding ss. 775.082, 775.0823, 782.04, 782.051, and chapter 921, a defendant shall be sentenced to life imprisonment without eligibility for release upon findings by the trier of fact that, beyond a reasonable doubt:

- (1) The defendant committed murder in the first degree in violation of s. 782.04(1) and a death sentence was not imposed; murder in the second or third degree in violation of s.
- 782.04(2), (3), or (4); attempted murder in the first or second degree in violation of s. 782.04(1)(a)1. or (2); or attempted felony murder in violation of s. 782.051; and

Section 4. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 782.04, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, paragraph (i) of subsection (3) of section 921.0022, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

921.0022 Criminal Punishment Code; offense severity ranking chart.—

- (3) OFFENSE SEVERITY RANKING CHART
- (i) LEVEL 9

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	Florida	Felony	Description
	Statute	Degree	
112			
	316.193(3)(c)3.b.	1st	DUI manslaughter; failing to render
			aid or give information.
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	327.35(3)(c)3.b.	1st	BUI manslaughter; failing to render
			aid or give information.
114			
	409.920(2)(b)1.c.	1st	Medicaid provider fraud; \$50,000 or
			more.
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	499.0051(9)	1st	Knowing sale or purchase of
			contraband prescription drugs
			resulting in great bodily harm.
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	560.123(8)(b)3.	1st	Failure to report currency or payment
			instruments totaling or exceeding
			\$100,000 by money transmitter.
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	560.125(5)(c)	1st	Money transmitter business by
			unauthorized person, currency, or
			payment instruments totaling or
			exceeding \$100,000.
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	655.50(10)(b)3.	1st	Failure to report financial
			transactions totaling or exceeding
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120	775.0844	1st	Aggravated white collar crime.	
	782.04(1)	1st	Attempt, conspire, or solicit to commit premeditated murder.	
121	782.04(3)	1st,PBL	Accomplice to murder in connection	
122		, and the second	with arson, sexual battery, robbery, burglary, and other specified felonies.	
	782.051(1)	1st	Attempted felony murder while perpetrating or attempting to perpetrate a felony enumerated in s. 782.04(3).	
123	782.07(2)	1st	Aggravated manslaughter of an elderly person or disabled adult.	7
124	787.01(1)(a)1.	1st,PBL	Kidnapping; hold for ransom or reward or as a shield or hostage.	i
125	787.01(1)(a)2.	1st,PBL	Kidnapping with intent to commit or facilitate commission of any felony.	
126	787.01(1)(a)4.	1st,PBL	Kidnapping with intent to interfere	
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127			with performance of any governmental or political function.
	787.02(3)(a)	1st	False imprisonment; child under age 13; perpetrator also commits aggravated child abuse, sexual battery, or lewd or lascivious battery, molestation, conduct, or exhibition.
128	790.161	1st	Attempted capital destructive device offense.
	790.166(2)	1st,PBL	Possessing, selling, using, or attempting to use a weapon of mass destruction.
130	794.011(2)	1st	Attempted sexual battery; victim less than 12 years of age.
	794.011(2)	Life	Sexual battery; offender younger than 18 years and commits sexual battery on a person less than 12 years.
132	794.011(4)	1st	Sexual battery; victim 12 years or older, certain circumstances.
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	794.011(8)(b)	1st	Sexual battery; engage in sexual conduct with minor 12 to 18 years by person in familial or custodial authority.
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	794.08(2)	1st	Female genital mutilation; victim
			younger than 18 years of age.
135	800.04(5)(b)	Life	Lewd or lascivious molestation; victim less than 12 years; offender
			18 years or older.
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	812.13(2)(a)	1st,PBL	Robbery with firearm or other deadly weapon.
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	812.133(2)(a)	1st,PBL	Carjacking; firearm or other deadly weapon.
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139	812.135(2)(b)	1st	Home-invasion robbery with weapon.
100	817.568(7)	2nd, PBL	Fraudulent use of personal identification information of an
			individual under the age of 18 by his
			or her parent, legal guardian, or
			person exercising custodial
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141	827.03(2)	1st	Aggravated child abuse.
	847.0145(1)	1st	Selling, or otherwise transferring custody or control, of a minor.
142	847.0145(2)	1st	Purchasing, or otherwise obtaining
143			custody or control, of a minor.
140	859.01	1st	Poisoning or introducing bacteria, radioactive materials, viruses, or chemical compounds into food, drink, medicine, or water with intent to kill or injure another person.
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	893.135	1st	Attempted capital trafficking offense.
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	893.135(1)(a)3.	1st	Trafficking in cannabis, more than 10,000 lbs.
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147	893.135(1)(b)1.c.	1st	Trafficking in cocaine, more than 400 grams, less than 150 kilograms.
147	893.135(1)(c)1.c.	1st	Trafficking in illegal drugs, more than 28 grams, less than 30 kilograms.
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	893.135(1)(d)1.c.	1st	Trafficking in phencyclidine, more than 400 grams.
149	893.135(1)(e)1.c.	1st	Trafficking in methaqualone, more than 25 kilograms.
150	893.135(1)(f)1.c.	1st	Trafficking in amphetamine, more than 200 grams.
151	893.135(1)(h)1.c.	1st	Trafficking in gamma-hydroxybutyric acid (GHB), 10 kilograms or more.
152	893.135(1)(j)1.c.	1st	Trafficking in 1,4-Butanediol, 10 kilograms or more.
153	893.135(1)(k)2.c.	1st	Trafficking in Phenethylamines, 400 grams or more.
154	896.101(5)(c)	1st	Money laundering, financial instruments totaling or exceeding \$100,000.
155	896.104(4)(a)3.	1st	Structuring transactions to evade reporting or registration requirements, financial transactions
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Section 5. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 782.04, Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, paragraph (i) of subsection (3) of section 947.146, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

947.146 Control Release Authority.-

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Within 120 days prior to the date the state correctional system is projected pursuant to s. 216.136 to exceed 99 percent of total capacity, the authority shall determine eligibility for and establish a control release date for an appropriate number of parole ineligible inmates committed to the department and incarcerated within the state who have been determined by the authority to be eligible for discretionary early release pursuant to this section. In establishing control release dates, it is the intent of the Legislature that the authority prioritize consideration of eligible inmates closest to their tentative release date. The authority shall rely upon commitment data on the offender information system maintained by the department to initially identify inmates who are to be reviewed for control release consideration. The authority may use a method of objective risk assessment in determining if an eligible inmate should be released. Such assessment shall be a part of the department's management information system. However, the authority shall have sole responsibility for determining control release eligibility, establishing a control release date, and effectuating the release of a sufficient number of inmates to maintain the inmate population between 99 percent and 100 percent of total capacity.

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Inmates who are ineligible for control release are inmates who are parole eligible or inmates who:

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- (i) Are convicted, or have been previously convicted, of committing or attempting to commit murder in the first, second, or third degree under s. 782.04(1), (2), (3), or (4), or have ever been convicted of any degree of murder or attempted murder in another jurisdiction;
- In making control release eligibility determinations under this subsection, the authority may rely on any document leading to or generated during the course of the criminal proceedings, including, but not limited to, any presentence or postsentence investigation or any information contained in arrest reports relating to circumstances of the offense.
- Section 6. This act shall take effect October 1, 2010.

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