HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STAFF ANALYSIS

BILL #: HB 11 SPONSOR(S): Porth and others TIED BILLS: **Crimes Against Homeless Persons**

IDEN./SIM. BILLS: SB 506

	REFERENCE	ACTION	ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR
1)	Public Safety & Domestic Security Policy Committee		Kramer	Cunningham
2)	Policy Council			
3)	Criminal & Civil Justice Policy Council			
4)				
5)				

SUMMARY ANALYSIS

Currently, section 775.085, F.S. provides that the penalty for any felony or misdemeanor offense must be reclassified if the commission of the offense evidences prejudice based on the race, color, ancestry, ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation, national origin, mental or physical disability or advanced age of the victim. This is commonly known as the "hate crime" statute. HB 11 amends this statute to include offenses evidencing prejudice based on the homeless status of the victim. This will have the effect of increasing the maximum sentence that can be imposed for an offense against a homeless person where the commission of the offense evidences prejudice based on the homeless status of the victim.

HOUSE PRINCIPLES

Members are encouraged to evaluate proposed legislation in light of the following guiding principles of the House of Representatives

- 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:
- B. SECTION DIRECTORY:

II. FISCAL ANALYSIS & ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

- A. FISCAL IMPACT ON STATE GOVERNMENT:
 - 1. Revenues:
 - 2. Expenditures:
- B. FISCAL IMPACT ON LOCAL GOVERNMENTS:
 - 1. Revenues:
 - 2. Expenditures:
- C. DIRECT ECONOMIC IMPACT ON PRIVATE SECTOR:
- D. FISCAL COMMENTS:

III. COMMENTS

- A. CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES:
 - 1. Applicability of Municipality/County Mandates Provision:
 - 2. Other:
- B. RULE-MAKING AUTHORITY:
- C. DRAFTING ISSUES OR OTHER COMMENTS:
 - IV. AMENDMENTS/COUNCIL OR COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE CHANGES