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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to use of force; amending s. 776.013, F.S.; specifying that a person who is in his or her dwelling, residence, or vehicle does not have a duty to retreat, regardless of whether he or she is attacked, and has the right to stand his or her ground; reenacting s. 776.032(1), F.S., to incorporate the amendment made to s. 776.013, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Subsection (3) of section 776.013, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

776.013 Home protection; use or threatened use of deadly force; presumption of fear of death or great bodily harm.—

(3) A person who is attacked in his or her dwelling, residence, or vehicle has no duty to retreat and has the right to stand his or her ground and use or threaten to use force, including deadly force, if he or she uses or threatens to use force in accordance with s. 776.012(1) or (2) or s. 776.031(1) or (2).

Section 2. <u>Subsection (1) of s. 776.032</u>, <u>Florida Statutes</u>, <u>is reenacted for the purpose of incorporating the amendment made</u> <u>by this act to s. 776.013</u>, <u>Florida Statues</u>, in a reference thereto.

Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015.