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LEGISLATIVE ACTION Senate House Comm: FAV 02/06/2018

The Committee on Criminal Justice (Bracy) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment to Amendment (648186)

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and insert:

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presently charged with a dangerous crime, that there is a substantial probability that the defendant committed such crime, that the factual circumstances of the crime indicate a disregard for the safety of the community, and that there are no conditions of release reasonably sufficient to protect the community from the risk of physical harm to persons;

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- 6. The defendant was on probation, parole, or other release pending completion of sentence or on pretrial release for a dangerous crime at the time the current offense was committed;
- 7. The defendant has violated one or more conditions of pretrial release or bond for the offense currently before the court and the violation, in the discretion of the court, supports a finding that no conditions of release can reasonably protect the community from risk of physical harm to persons or assure the presence of the accused at trial; or
- 8.a. The defendant has ever been sentenced pursuant to s. 775.082(9) or s. 775.084 as a prison releasee reoffender, habitual violent felony offender, three-time violent felony offender, or violent career criminal, or the state attorney files a notice seeking that the defendant be sentenced pursuant to s. 775.082(9) or s. 775.084, as a prison releasee reoffender, habitual violent felony offender, three-time violent felony offender, or violent career criminal;
- b. There is a substantial probability that the defendant committed the offense; and
- c. There are no conditions of release that can reasonably protect the community from risk of physical harm or ensure the presence of the accused at trial.
- Section 4. Section 907.042, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

907.042 Supervised bond program.-

(1) LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS.—The Legislature finds that there is a need to use evidence-based methods to identify defendants that can successfully comply with specified pretrial release conditions. The Legislature finds that the use of actuarial

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instruments that evaluate criminogenic based needs and classify defendants according to levels of risk provides a more consistent and accurate assessment of a defendant's risk of noncompliance while on pretrial release pending trial. The Legislature also finds that both the community and a defendant are better served when a defendant, who poses a low risk to society, is provided the opportunity to fulfill employment and familial responsibilities in the community under a structured pretrial release plan that ensures the best chance of remaining compliant with all pretrial conditions rather than remaining in custody. The Legislature finds that there is a need to establish a supervised bond program in each county for the purpose of providing pretrial release to certain defendants who may not otherwise be eligible for pretrial release on unsupervised nonmonetary conditions and who do not have the ability to satisfy the bond imposed by the court. The Legislature finds that the creation of such a program will reduce the likelihood of defendants remaining unnecessarily in custody pending trial.