THE FLORIDA SENATE 2023 SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION PASSED Committee on Judiciary

SB 1442 — Terrorism

by Senators Collins, Boyd, and Burgess

The bill expands the fugitive disentitlement doctrine to apply to collection activities related to a private civil action concerning terrorism. Accordingly, a fugitive from justice who is a judgment debtor in a civil action concerning an act of terrorism may not use the resources of the state in defending against collection proceedings related to the judgment. Additionally, in such collection proceedings a party is not entitled to a jury trial.

If approved by the Governor, or allowed to become law without the Governor's signature, these provisions take effect upon becoming law.

Vote: Senate 40-0; House 116-0

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