An act relating to the release of public records information regarding criminal offenders; creating the "Public Safety Information Act"; creating s. 943.046, F.S.; authorizing a state or local law enforcement agency to release to the public criminal offender information that is not exempt from public disclosure under the public records law; providing immunity from civil liability for a law enforcement agency and its personnel in releasing such information; creating s. 943.043, F.S.; requiring the Department of Law Enforcement to operate a toll-free telephone number to provide public access to information regarding sex offenders; providing immunity from civil liability for the department and its personnel in reporting information; providing that the department and its personnel are presumed to have acted in good faith; creating s. 943.0435, F.S.; providing definitions; requiring certain sex offenders to report their current address and place of permanent or temporary residence to the Department of Law Enforcement within a specified time and upon moving to a new place of residence; requiring the department to adopt rules on sex-offender reporting; providing a penalty for failing to report as required; providing immunity from civil liability for the department and its personnel in compiling, recording, and

1 reporting information regarding certain sex 2 offenders; providing that the department and 3 its personnel are presumed to have acted in good faith; creating s. 944.607, F.S.; 4 5 requiring that the Department of Corrections 6 provide information to the Department of Law 7 Enforcement on certain sex offenders who are in the custody of the Department of Corrections on 8 9 or after a specified date; providing for a 10 joint agreement to determine the time and manner in which the information is provided; 11 providing immunity from civil liability for the 12 13 Department of Corrections and its personnel in compiling, recording, and reporting information 14 15 regarding certain sex offenders; providing that the department and its personnel are presumed 16 17 to have acted in good faith; amending ss. 18 944.605, 947.177, F.S.; revising requirements 19 for the Department of Corrections, the Control Release Authority, and the Parole Commission 20 21 with respect to notifying judges and law 22 enforcement agencies of the anticipated release 23 of an inmate; requiring that a digitized photograph be made of the inmate; amending s. 24 944.606, F.S., relating to the release of 25 26 information regarding certain sex offenders by 27 the Department of Corrections; providing that 28 the release of such information does not 29 constitute unauthorized public disclosure under 30 the Florida Sexual Predators Act; amending s. 948.03, F.S.; requiring the Department of

1 Corrections to compile information on certain 2 sex offenders who are under the supervision of 3 the department on or after a specified date; requiring that the Department of Corrections 4 5 provide such information to the Department of 6 Law Enforcement; providing immunity from civil 7 liability for the Department of Corrections and its personnel in compiling, recording, and 8 9 reporting information regarding certain sex 10 offenders; providing that the department and its personnel are presumed to have acted in 11 good faith; amending s. 948.06, F.S.; requiring 12 13 state and local law enforcement agencies to 14 verify if a person under investigation or under 15 arrest for certain sexual offenses is on probation, community control, parole, 16 conditional release, or control release; 17 18 requiring the law enforcement agency to notify 19 the person's probation officer or release 20 supervisor of the investigation or the arrest; 21 amending s. 921.0012, F.S.; ranking under the 22 sentencing guidelines the offense of failure to 23 report current place of residence; amending s. 24 921.0017, F.S., relating to credit upon 25 recommitment of an offender serving a split sentence; conforming a cross-reference to 26 27 changes made by the act; requiring the 28 Department of Law Enforcement and the 29 Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles 30 to report to the Legislature on a plan to make digitized photographs of certain sex offenders; 31

requiring the Department of Corrections to report to the Legislature on a plan for directly transmitting data on sex offenders to the Department of Law Enforcement; requiring that the report also include a plan for taking digitized photographs of certain sex offenders under the supervision of the department; providing an effective date.

WHEREAS, the Legislature and law enforcement agencies recognize that the release of criminal history information or other information regarding criminal offenders is essential to the public's safety and welfare, and

WHEREAS, the Legislature intends to provide specific statutory direction whereby a law enforcement agency, of its own volition or in response to a request for a public record, may release to the public criminal history information and other information regarding criminal offenders, including public notification of this information, and

WHEREAS, the Legislature intends that criminal history information and other information regarding criminal offenders which is subject to release to the public shall consist only of information that is subject to public disclosure under section 119.07(1), Florida Statutes, the state public records law, and under Section 24(a), Article I of the State Constitution, and

WHEREAS, the Legislature intends that the order of priority, the methods of dissemination of criminal history information compiled from intrastate sources by the Department of Law Enforcement, and the assessment of costs for the

production of this information, as provided in section 943.053, Florida Statutes, shall be maintained, and

WHEREAS, the Legislature finds that the public is especially concerned about certain sex offenders, and

WHEREAS, the Legislature intends to enhance public access to information regarding certain sex offenders by creating a public-access telephone number for releasing this information, and

WHEREAS, the Legislature intends that information released through the public-access telephone number shall consist only of information that is subject to public disclosure under section 119.07(1), Florida Statutes, the state public records law, and under Section 24(a), Article I of the State Constitution, and

WHEREAS, the Legislature intends to streamline requirements that relate to the notification of the date of an offender's anticipated release by the Department of Corrections, and

WHEREAS, the Legislature finds that current law authorizes law enforcement agencies to release to the public criminal information on certain sex offenders which is provided to these agencies by the Department of Corrections, but prohibits these agencies from providing public or community notification of this information, and

WHEREAS, the Legislature further finds that this information is subject to public disclosure under section 119.07(1), Florida Statutes, the state public records law, and under Section 24(a), Article I of the State Constitution, and

WHEREAS, the Legislature intends to authorize public or community notification of this information, and

1 WHEREAS, the Legislature intends that a state or local 2 law enforcement agency that investigates or arrests a person 3 for certain sexual offenses shall verify whether the person is 4 on probation or some form of release supervision, and, if so verified, shall inform the person's probation officer that the 5 6 person is under investigation or arrest for a sexual offense, 7 NOW, THEREFORE, 8 9 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 10 11 Section 1. This act may be cited as the "Public Safety Information Act." 12 13 Section 2. Section 943.046, Florida Statutes, is 14 created to read: 15 943.046 Notification of criminal offender 16 information.--17 (1) Any state or local law enforcement agency may 18 release to the public any criminal history information and 19 other information regarding a criminal offender, including, but not limited to, public notification by the agency of the 20 information, unless the information is confidential and exempt 21 22 from s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State 23 Constitution. However, this section does not contravene any 24 provision of s. 943.053. 25 (2) A state or local law enforcement agency and its 26 personnel are immune from civil liability for the release of 27 criminal history information or other information regarding a 28 criminal offender, as provided by this section. 29 Section 3. Section 943.043, Florida Statutes, is

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created to read:

1 943.043 Toll-free telephone number; sex-offender 2 information.--3 (1) The department shall operate a toll-free telephone 4 number to provide public access to information regarding 5 certain sex offenders. 6 (2) Notwithstanding any other law, the information 7 that shall be made available to the public through the toll-free telephone number shall consist of information on 8 9 these sex offenders which: (a) The Department of Corrections is required to 10 provide to the department pursuant to s. 944.607 and s. 11 12 948.03; and 13 (b) Is reported to the department by each sex offender who is required to report pursuant to s. 943.0435. 14 15 (3) The department and its personnel are immune from 16 civil liability for damages for good-faith compliance with 17 this section and shall be presumed to have acted in good faith 18 by reporting information. The presumption of good faith is not 19 overcome if technical or clerical errors are made by the department and its personnel in reporting the information, if 20 21 the department and its personnel are unable to report 22 information because the information has not been provided or 23 reported by a person or agency required to provide or report the information to the department, or if the department and 24 its personnel report information that was falsely reported 25 26 without the knowledge of the department and its personnel. 27 Section 4. Section 943.0435, Florida Statutes, is 28 created to read: 29 943.0435 Sex offenders required to report to the 30 department; penalty.--(1) As used in this section, the term:

- (a) "Sex offender" means a person who has been:
- 1. Convicted of committing, or attempting, soliciting, or conspiring to commit, any of the criminal offenses proscribed in the following statutes in this state or analogous offenses in another jurisdiction: s. 787.025, chapter 794, s. 796.03, s. 800.04, s. 827.071, s. 847.0133, s. 847.0135, s. 847.0145, or any similar offense committed in this state which has been redesignated from a former statute number to one of those listed in this subparagraph.
- 2. Released from the sanction imposed for any conviction of an offense described in subparagraph 1. For purposes of subparagraph 1., a sanction imposed in this state or in any other jurisdiction includes, but is not limited to, a fine, probation, community control, parole, conditional release, control release, or incarceration in a state or federal prison or local detention facility.
- (b) "Convicted" means the person has been determined guilty as a result of a plea or a trial, regardless of whether adjudication is withheld.
- (2) If a sex offender permanently or temporarily resides in any county of the state, the offender must report to the department his or her current address and place of permanent or temporary residence within 48 hours after arrival at the place of residence. Thereafter, if the sex offender moves to a new residence, he or she must report to the department, within 48 hours after arriving at the new place of residence, his or her current address and place of permanent or temporary residence.
- (3) The department shall adopt, by rule, the manner in which each sex offender is required under this section to

report his or her current address and place of permanent or temporary residence.

- (4) A sex offender who fails to report his or her current address and place of permanent or temporary residence, in accordance with the rule adopted by the department, commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.
- (5) The department and its personnel are immune from civil liability for damages for good-faith compliance with the requirements of this section, and shall be presumed to have acted in good faith in compiling, recording, and reporting information. The presumption of good faith is not overcome if a technical or clerical error is made by the department and its personnel in compiling or providing information, or if information is incomplete or incorrect because a sex offender fails to report or falsely reports his or her current address and place of permanent or temporary residence.

Section 5. Section 944.607, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

944.607 Notification to Department of Law Enforcement of information on sex offenders.--

- (1) As used in this section, the term "sex offender" means a person who:
- (a) Is an inmate in the custody of the department on or after October 1, 1997;
- (b) Is incarcerated for committing, or attempting, soliciting, or conspiring to commit, any of the criminal offenses proscribed in the following statutes in this state or analogous offenses in another jurisdiction: s. 787.025, chapter 794, s. 796.03, s. 800.04, s. 827.071, s. 847.0133, s. 847.0135, s. 847.0145, or any similar offense committed in

this state which has been redesignated from a former statute number to one of those listed in this paragraph; and

- (c) Is not required to serve a period of probation, community control, parole, conditional release, or control release following incarceration for any offense listed in paragraph (b).
- (2) The department shall compile information on each sex offender and provide the information to the Department of Law Enforcement for its use in operating a toll-free telephone number to provide public access to information regarding sex offenders.
- (3) The department shall provide the information to the Department of Law Enforcement within a reasonable time and in a manner determined by a joint agreement of the Department of Corrections and the Department of Law Enforcement. The information provided to the Department of Law Enforcement must include:
- (b) The correctional facility from which the sex offender is released and the sex offender's current address and place of temporary or permanent residence, if such information is provided to the department by the sex offender;
 - (c) A physical description of the sex offender;
- (d) The offense or offenses for which the sex offender is serving a sentence;
 - (e) The date of release of the sex offender; and
 - (f) A digitized photograph of the sex offender.
- (4) The department and its personnel are immune from civil liability for damages for good-faith compliance with this section, and shall be presumed to have acted in good

faith in compiling, recording, and providing information. The presumption of good faith is not overcome if technical or clerical errors are made by the department and its personnel in compiling, recording, or providing information, if the information compiled, recorded, or provided by the department and its personnel is incomplete because the information has not been provided to the department by a person or agency required to provide the information, or if the department and its personnel compile, record, or provide information that was falsely reported without the knowledge of the department and its personnel.

Section 6. Subsections (1) and (2) of section 944.605, Florida Statutes, 1996 Supplement, are amended to read:

944.605 Inmate release; notice by Department of Corrections, Control Release Authority, or Parole Commission.--

(1) Within 6 months before the release of an inmate from the custody of the Department of Corrections by expiration of sentence under s. 944.275, any release program provided by law, or parole under chapter 947, or as soon as possible if the offender is released earlier than anticipated, notification of such anticipated release date shall be made known by the appropriate agency to the appropriate chief original sentencing judge, the appropriate state attorney, the original arresting law enforcement agency, and the sheriff as chief law enforcement officer of the county in which the inmate plans to reside. If the original sentencing judge is no longer available, such notice shall be sent to the chief judge of the circuit in which the offender was sentenced. In addition, unless otherwise requested by the victim or the personal representative of the victim, the state attorney, the

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Department of Corrections, the Control Release Authority, or the Parole Commission, whichever is appropriate, shall notify such person within 6 months before the inmate's release, or as soon as possible if the offender is released earlier than anticipated, when if the name and address of such victim or representative of the victim has been furnished to the agency. The state attorney shall provide the latest address documented for the victim to the sheriff with the other documents required by law for the delivery of inmates to those agencies for service of sentence. For the purposes of this section, the Parole Commission or the Control Release Authority is the appropriate agency for any type of release it grants, and the Department of Corrections is the appropriate agency for any type of release it authorizes. This section does not imply any repeal or modification of any provision of law relating to notification of victims.

(2) Within 6 months 120 days before the anticipated release of an inmate under subsection (1), except for an inmate for which notification is required under subsection (3) or s. 944.606, a digitized photograph an exit photo of the inmate to be released shall be made taken and placed in the inmate's file and shall be made available to the Department of Law Enforcement and, upon request, to local law enforcement agencies.

Section 7. Subsection (4) of section 944.606, Florida Statutes, 1996 Supplement, is amended to read:

944.606 Sexual offenders; notification upon release.--

(4) Release of information pursuant to this section does not constitute unauthorized public disclosure of information that relates to sexual predators under ss.

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or any law enforcement agency to notify the community and the public of a sexual offender's presence in the community. However, with respect to a sexual offender who has been found to be a "sexual predator" under chapter 775, the Florida Department of Law Enforcement or any other law enforcement agency must inform the community and the public of the sexual predator's presence in the community, as provided in chapter 775.

Section 8. Subsections (1) and (2) of section 947.177, Florida Statutes, 1996 Supplement, are amended to read:

947.177 Inmate release; notice by Department of Corrections, Control Release Authority, or Parole Commission.--

(1) Within 6 months before the release of an inmate from the custody of the Department of Corrections by expiration of sentence under s. 944.275, control release under s. 947.146, or parole under this chapter, or as soon as possible if the offender is released earlier than anticipated, notification of such release date shall be made known by the appropriate agency to the appropriate chief original sentencing judge, the appropriate state attorney, the original arresting law enforcement agency, and the sheriff as chief law enforcement officer of the county in which the inmate plans to reside. If the original sentencing judge is no longer available, such notice shall be sent to the chief judge of the circuit in which the offender was sentenced. In addition, unless otherwise requested by the victim or the personal representative of the victim, the state attorney, the Department of Corrections, or the Parole Commission, whichever is appropriate, shall notify such person within 6 months before the inmate's release, or as soon as possible if the

offender is released earlier than anticipated, when if the name and address of the victim or representative of the victim has been furnished to the agency. The state attorney shall provide the latest address documented for the victim to the sheriff with the other documents required by law for the delivery of inmates to those agencies for service of sentence. For the purposes of this section, the Parole Commission or the Control Release Authority is the appropriate agency for any type of release it grants, and the Department of Corrections is the appropriate agency for any type of release it authorizes. This section does not imply any repeal or modification of any provision of law relating to notification of victims.

(2) Within <u>6 months</u> <u>120 days</u> before the anticipated release of an inmate, except for an inmate for which notification is required under subsection (3) or s. 944.606, <u>a digitized photograph</u> an exit photo of the inmate to be released shall be <u>made</u> taken and placed in the inmate's file and shall be made available to the Department of Law <u>Enforcement and</u>, upon request, to local law enforcement agencies.

Section 9. Subsection (12) is added to section 948.03, Florida Statutes, 1996 Supplement, to read:

948.03 Terms and conditions of probation or community control.--

(12)(a) The Department of Corrections shall compile information on certain sex offenders and provide the information to the Department of Law Enforcement for use in operating a toll-free telephone number to provide public access to information regarding these sex offenders.

(b) As used in this subsection, the term:

- 1 1. "Sex offender" means a person who: 2 a. Is under the supervision of the Department of 3 Corrections on or after October 1, 1997; 4 b. Has been convicted of committing, or attempting, 5 soliciting, or conspiring to commit, any of the criminal 6 offenses proscribed in the following statutes in this state or 7 analogous offenses in another jurisdiction: s. 787.025, chapter 794, s. 796.03, s. 800.04, s. 827.071, s. 847.0133, s. 8 9 847.0135, s. 847.0145, or any similar offense committed in this state which has been redesignated from a former statute 10 number to one of those listed in this sub-subparagraph; and 11 c. Is serving a term of probation, community control, 12 13 parole, conditional release, or control release in this state or any other jurisdiction for any offense listed in 14 15 sub-subparagraph b. 2. "Convicted" means the person has been determined 16 17 guilty as a result of a plea or a trial, regardless of whether 18 adjudication is withheld. 19 (c) The Department of Corrections shall provide the 20 information to the Department of Law Enforcement within a 21 reasonable time and in a manner determined by a joint 22 agreement of the Department of Corrections and the Department 23 of Law Enforcement. The information provided to the Department
 - $\underline{\text{1. The name of the sex offender and any alias, if}} \\ \text{known;}$

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- 2. A physical description of the sex offender;
- 3. The sex offender's most current address and place of permanent or temporary residence, including the name of the county or municipality in which the offender permanently or temporarily resides;

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           5. The offense or offenses for which the sex offender
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          (d) The Department of Corrections and its personnel
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           Section 10. Present subsections (2), (3), (4), (5),
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   as subsections (3), (4), (5), (6), and (7), respectively, and
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   a new subsection (2) is added to that section, to read:
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           948.06 Violation of probation or community control;
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         (2)(a) When any state or local law enforcement agency
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   investigates or arrests a person for committing, or
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6	community control, parole, conditional release, or control			
7	release, the law enforcement agency shall immediately notify			
8	the person's probation officer or release supervisor of the			
9	investigation or the arrest.			
10	Section 11. Paragraph (f) of subsection (3) of section			
11	921.0012, Florida Statutes, 1996 Supplement, is amended to			
12	read:			
13	921.0012	Sentencing	guidelines offense levels; offense	
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21	316.027(1)(b)	2nd	Accident involving death, failure	
22			to stop; leaving scene.	
23	316.193(2)(b)	3rd	Felony DUI, 4th or subsequent	
24			conviction.	
25	775.0875(1)	3rd	Taking firearm from law	
26			enforcement officer.	
27	784.021(1)(a)	3rd	Aggravated assault; deadly weapon	
28			without intent to kill.	
29	784.021(1)(b)	3rd	Aggravated assault; intent to	
30			commit felony.	
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1	784.048(3)	3rd	Aggravated stalking; credible
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3	784.07(2)(c)	2nd	Aggravated assault on law
4			enforcement officer.
5	784.08(2)(b)	2nd	Aggravated assault on a person 65
6			years of age or older.
7	784.081(2)	2nd	Aggravated assault on specified
8			official or employee.
9	784.082(2)	2nd	Aggravated assault by detained
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12	787.02(2)	3rd	False imprisonment; restraining
13			with purpose other than those in
14			s. 787.01.
15	790.115(2)(d)	2nd	Discharging firearm or weapon on
16			school property.
17	790.161(2)	2nd	Make, possess, or throw
18			destructive device with intent to
19			do bodily harm or damage
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21	790.164(1)	2nd	False report of deadly explosive
22			or act of arson or violence to
23			state property.
24	790.19	2nd	Shooting or throwing deadly
25			missiles into dwellings, vessels,
26			or vehicles.
27	794.011(8)(a)	3rd	Solicitation of minor to
28			participate in sexual activity by
29			custodial adult.
30	794.05(1)	2nd	Unlawful sexual activity with
31			specified minor.

1	806.031(2)	2nd	Arson resulting in great bodily
2			harm to firefighter or any other
3			person.
4	810.02(3)(c)	2nd	Burglary of occupied structure;
5			unarmed; no assault or battery.
6	812.014(2)(b)	2nd	Property stolen \$20,000 or more,
7			but less than \$100,000, grand
8			theft in 2nd degree.
9	812.13(2)(c)	2nd	Robbery, no firearm or other
10			weapon (strong-arm robbery).
11	817.034(4)(a)1.	1st	Communications fraud, value
12			greater than \$50,000.
13	817.4821(5)	2nd	Possess cloning paraphernalia
14			with intent to create cloned
15			cellular telephones.
16	825.102(1)	3rd	Abuse of an elderly person or
17			disabled adult.
18	825.102(3)(c)	3rd	Neglect of an elderly person or
19			disabled adult.
20	825.1025(3)	3rd	Lewd or lascivious molestation of
21			an elderly person or disabled
22			adult.
23	825.103(2)(c)	3rd	Exploiting an elderly person or
24			disabled adult and property is
25			valued at \$100 or more, but less
26			than \$20,000.
27	827.03(1)	3rd	Abuse of a child.
28	827.03(3)(c)	3rd	Neglect of a child.
29	827.071(2)&(3)	2nd	Use or induce a child in a sexual
30			performance, or promote or direct
31			such performance.

1	836.05	2nd	Threats; extortion.
2	836.10	2nd	Written threats to kill or do
3			bodily injury.
4	843.12	3rd	Aids or assists person to escape.
5	914.23	2nd	Retaliation against a witness,
6			victim, or informant, with bodily
7			injury.
8	943.0435(4)	3rd	Sex offenders; failure to report
9			current place of residence.
10	944.35(3)(a)2.	3rd	Committing malicious battery upon
11			or inflicting cruel or inhuman
12			treatment on an inmate or
13			offender on community
14			supervision, resulting in great
15			bodily harm.
16	944.40	2nd	Escapes.
17	944.46	3rd	Harboring, concealing, aiding
18			escaped prisoners.
19	944.47(1)(a)5.	2nd	Introduction of contraband
20			(firearm, weapon, or explosive)
21			into correctional facility.
22	951.22(1)	3rd	Intoxicating drug, firearm, or
23			weapon introduced into county
24			facility.
25	Section 12	. Section	921.0017, Florida Statutes, is
26	amended to read:		
27	921.0017	Credit upo	n recommitment of offender serving
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Department of Corrections, the court shall order credit for time served only, without considering any type of gain-time earned before release to supervision, or any type of sentence 3 reduction granted to avoid prison overcrowding, including, but 4 not limited to, any sentence reduction resulting from 5 6 administrative gain-time, provisional credits, or control 7 release. The court shall determine the amount of jail-time credit to be awarded for time served between the date of 8 arrest as a violator and the date of recommitment, and shall direct the Department of Corrections to compute and apply 10 credit for all other time served previously on the prior 11 sentence for the offense for which the offender is being 12 13 recommitted. This section does not affect or limit the 14 department's authority to forfeit gain-time under ss. 15 944.28(1) and 948.06(7) $\frac{948.06(6)}{1}$. Section 13. (1) By January 1, 1998, the Department of 16 17 Law Enforcement and the Department of Highway Safety and Motor 18 Vehicles shall jointly report to the Legislature a plan for 19 requiring each sex offender, as defined in section 944.607, Florida Statutes, to report to drivers' license bureaus for 20 21 the purpose of making digitized photographs of the sex offender. The report must also include the costs of making 22 23 digitized photographs of the sex offenders and a timetable for 24 implementing the plan. (2) By January 1, 1998, the Department of Corrections 25 26 shall report to the Legislature a plan for directly 27 transmitting to the Department of Law Enforcement data on sex 28 offenders, as defined in section 944.607 or section 948.03, Florida Statutes, who are under the supervision of the 29 Department of Corrections. The report must include the costs 30 of preparing, storing, and directly transmitting data to the

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SENATE SUMMARY Creates the "Public Safety Information Act." Authorizes a law enforcement agency to release criminal history information to the public. Provides that the agency is immune from civil liability for releasing such information. Requires the Department of Law Enforcement to operate a toll-free telephone number to provide information regarding certain sex offenders. Provides that the department and its personnel are immune from that the department and its personnel are immune from civil liability for providing such information and are presumed to have acted in good faith. Requires that a person convicted of specified sexual offenses report his or her current address and place of residence to the Department of Law Enforcement within 48 hours after arriving at the place of residence and, thereafter, within 48 hours after arriving at a new place of residence. Provides that it is a third-degree felony to fail to report. Requires that the Department of Law Corrections provide information to the Department of Law Corrections provides that the Department of Law Corrections provides t Corrections provide information to the Department of Law Enforcement on each offender who is convicted of committing certain specified sexual offenses and who is in the custody or supervision of the Department of Corrections on or after October 1, 1997. Requires that the Department of Corrections and the Department of Law Enforcement jointly agree on the time and manner for providing the information. Provides that the Department providing the information. Provides that the Department of Corrections and its personnel are immune from civil liability for compiling, recording, and reporting such information and are presumed to have acted in good faith. Requires that a law enforcement agency verify if a person under investigation or under arrest for certain specified sexual offenses is on probation, community control, parole, conditional release, or control release. Requires that the law enforcement agency notify the person's probation officer or release supervisor of the investigation or the arrest. Requires that the Department of Law Enforcement and of Law Enforcement and the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles report to the Legislature on a plan to make digitized photographs of certain sex offenders. Requires that the Department of Corrections report to the Legislature on a plan to directly transmit data on certain sex offenders under its supervision to the 2.3 Department of Law Enforcement. Requires that the report also include a plan for taking digitized photographs of certain sex offenders who are supervised by the Department of Corrections. (See bill for details.) 2.6