

By Representative Livingston

1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to assault and battery upon
3 code inspectors; creating s. 784.083, F.S.;
4 providing enhanced penalties for assault or
5 aggravated assault or battery or aggravated
6 battery upon "a code inspector," as defined;
7 providing an effective date.

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

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11 Section 1. Section 784.083, Florida Statutes, is
12 created to read:

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14 784.083 Assault or battery on code
15 inspectors.--Whenever a person is charged with committing an
16 assault or aggravated assault or a battery or aggravated
17 battery upon a code inspector, as defined in s. 162.04(2),
18 when the person committing the offense knows or has reason to
19 know the identity or employment of the victim, the offense for
20 which the person is charged shall be reclassified as follows:

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22 (1) In the case of aggravated battery, from a felony
23 of the second degree to a felony of the first degree.

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25 (2) In the case of aggravated assault, from a felony
26 of the third degree to a felony of the second degree.

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28 (3) In the case of battery, from a misdemeanor of the
29 first degree to a felony of the third degree.

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31 (4) In the case of assault, from a misdemeanor of the
second degree to a misdemeanor of the first degree.

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33 Section 2. This act shall take effect October 1, 1997,
34 and shall apply to offenses committed on or after that date.

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HOUSE SUMMARY

Provides enhanced penalties for assault or aggravated
assault or battery or aggravated battery upon a county or
municipal "code inspector," as defined.