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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to juvenile justice; amending
3 s. 985.309, F.S.; requiring boot camp
4 commitment of a child under specified
5 circumstances; providing for state funding for
6 boot camps operated by county or municipal
7 government, contingent upon specific
8 appropriation; providing for placement of
9 children in boot camp within the circuit in
10 which they were adjudicated; providing for
11 authority of county sheriff over boot camps in
12 county; listing the offenses for which such
13 commitment to boot camp is mandatory and not
14 subject to plea negotiation; providing an
15 effective date.

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

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19 Section 1. Subsections (2) and (3) of section 985.309,
20 Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

21 985.309 Boot camp for children.--

22 (2) Contingent upon specific appropriation of state
23 funds, any local funding, a county or municipal government in
24 any circuit of this state may implement and operate a boot
25 camp program to provide an intensive educational and physical
26 training and rehabilitative program for appropriate children.
27 Boot camps shall be under the supervisory jurisdiction and
28 authority of the sheriff of the county in which the camp is
29 located.

30 (3) A child shall ~~may~~ be placed in a boot camp program
31 in the circuit within which the child was adjudicated if he or

1 she is at least 14 years of age but less than 18 years of age
2 at the time of adjudication and has been committed to the
3 department for any violation of s. 316.193, s. 784.07, s.
4 784.081, s. 790.115, or s. 893.13(1)(c), assault or battery or
5 aggravated assault or aggravated battery upon a judicial
6 officer or other public officer, assault or battery or
7 aggravated assault or aggravated battery upon the child's
8 parent, guardian, or legal custodian, theft of an automobile
9 or other motor vehicle, burglary of a dwelling, robbery, or
10 any other offense that, if committed by an adult, would be a
11 felony, other than a capital felony, a life felony, or a
12 violent felony of the first degree. If the circuit in which
13 the child was adjudicated has a boot camp program with
14 available placements, placement under this subsection is
15 mandatory and not subject to plea negotiation.

16 Section 2. This act shall take effect October 1 of the
17 year in which enacted.

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20 HOUSE SUMMARY

21 Provides for state funding for boot camps operated by
22 county or municipal government, contingent upon specific
23 appropriation. Provides for placement of children in a
24 boot camp within the circuit in which they were
25 adjudicated. Provides for authority of county sheriff
26 over boot camps in the county. Requires boot camp
27 commitment of a child under specified circumstances.
28 Lists the offenses for which such commitment to boot camp
29 is mandatory and not subject to plea negotiation.
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