A bill to be entitled

An act relating to violations of probation or community control; amending s. 948.06, F.S.; providing for the period of probation or community control for an offender to be tolled following the filing of an affidavit alleging a violation of the probation or community control; providing for reinstatement of a previously imposed period of probation or community control following dismissal of such an affidavit; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 948.06, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

948.06 Violation of probation or community control; revocation; modification; continuance; failure to pay restitution or cost of supervision.--

(1) Whenever within the period of probation or community control there are reasonable grounds to believe that a probationer or offender in community control has violated his or her probation or community control in a material respect, any law enforcement officer who is aware of the probationary or community control status of the probationer or offender in community control or any parole or probation supervisor may arrest or request any county or municipal law enforcement officer to arrest such probationer or offender without warrant wherever found and forthwith return him or her to the court granting such probation or community control. Any committing magistrate may issue a warrant, upon the facts

being made known to him or her by affidavit of one having 1 2 knowledge of such facts, for the arrest of the probationer or 3 offender, returnable forthwith before the court granting such probation or community control. Any parole or probation 4 5 supervisor, any officer authorized to serve criminal process, or any peace officer of this state is authorized to serve and 6 7 execute such warrant. Upon the filing of an affidavit alleging 8 a violation of probation or community control, the 9 probationary period is tolled until the violation is proven and the offender's probation or community control is revoked, 10 11 modified, or continued. The court, upon the probationer or 12 offender being brought before it, shall advise him or her of 13 such charge of violation and, if such charge is admitted to be true, may forthwith revoke, modify, or continue the probation 14 or community control or place the probationer into a community 15 16 control program. If probation or community control is revoked, the court shall adjudge the probationer or offender guilty of 17 the offense charged and proven or admitted, unless he or she 18 has previously been adjudged guilty, and impose any sentence 19 20 which it might have originally imposed before placing the 21 probationer on probation or the offender into community 22 control. If such violation of probation or community control is not admitted by the probationer or offender, the court may 23 commit him or her or release him or her with or without bail 24 to await further hearing, or it may dismiss the charge of 25 26 probation or community control violation. If such charge is 27 not at that time admitted by the probationer or offender and 28 if it is not dismissed, the court, as soon as may be practicable, shall give the probationer or offender an 29 opportunity to be fully heard on his or her behalf in person 30 31 or by counsel. After such hearing, the court may revoke,

modify, or continue the probation or community control or 1 place the probationer into community control. If such 3 probation or community control is revoked, the court shall adjudge the probationer or offender guilty of the offense 4 5 charged and proven or admitted, unless he or she has previously been adjudged guilty, and impose any sentence which 6 7 it might have originally imposed before placing the 8 probationer or offender on probation or into community 9 control. If, after a hearing, the court dismisses an affidavit alleging a violation of probation or community control, the 10 11 offender's probation or community control shall continue as 12 previously imposed, notwithstanding any period the probation 13 or community control was tolled. 14 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2000. 15 ********** 16 17 SENATE SUMMARY Provides that if an affidavit is filed alleging an offender violated his or her probation or community 18 control, the probationary period is tolled until the court revokes, modifies, or continues the offender's probation or community control. Provides for the probationary period to be reinstated if the court dismisses the affidavit alleging the violation. 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30

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