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A bill to be entitled
An act relating to felony traffic cases;
amending s. 26.012, F.S.; authorizing the chief
judge of a circuit court to transfer all felony
traffic and vessel cases to the county courts
in the circuit; providing exceptions; providing
an effective date.

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

Section 1. Subsection (5) is added to section 26.012,
Florida Statutes, to read:

26.012 Jurisdiction of circuit court.--

(5) The chief judge of a circuit may transfer any or
all felony traffic and vessel cases, except those traffic and
vessel cases involving or arising out of s. 316.193(3)(c)2.,
s. 316.193(3)(c)3., s. 327.35(3)(c)2., or s. 327.35(3)(c)3.,
to county courts in the circuit, and the county court shall
thereupon have the complete power to exercise such
jurisdiction.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2001.

HOUSE SUMMARY

Authorizes the chief judge of a circuit to transfer all
felony traffic and vessel cases, with described
exceptions, to the county courts in the circuit and
provides that upon such a transfer the county court shall
have complete jurisdiction to hear such cases. See bill
for details.