

By Senator Cowin

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to parole violations; amending
3 ss. 947.141, 947.22, F.S.; requiring a law
4 enforcement officer to arrest an offender whom
5 the officer has reasonable grounds to believe
6 has committed a felony while on release
7 supervision or parole; providing that a warrant
8 need not be issued in the case; providing an
9 effective date.

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

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13 Section 1. Subsection (7) is added to section 947.141,
14 Florida Statutes, to read:

15 947.141 Violations of conditional release, control
16 release, or conditional medical release or addiction-recovery
17 supervision.--

18 (7) If a law enforcement officer has reasonable
19 grounds to believe that an offender who is on release
20 supervision under s. 947.1405, s. 947.146, s. 947.149, or s.
21 944.4731 has violated the terms and conditions of his or her
22 release by committing a felony offense, the officer shall
23 arrest the offender without a warrant and a warrant need not
24 be issued in the case.

25 Section 2. Subsection (3) is added to section 947.22,
26 Florida Statutes, to read:

27 947.22 Authority to arrest parole violators with or
28 without warrant.--

29 (3) If a law enforcement officer has reasonable
30 grounds to believe that a parolee has violated the terms and
31 conditions of his or her parole by committing a felony

1 offense, the officer shall arrest the parolee without a
2 warrant and a warrant need not be issued in the case.

3 Section 3. This act shall take effect October 1, 2002.

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6 SENATE SUMMARY

7 Provides that, if a law enforcement officer has
8 reasonable grounds to believe that an offender has
9 committed a felony while the offender is on release
supervision or parole, the officer may arrest the
offender without a warrant.

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