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A bill to be entitled
An act relating to sentencing; amending s. 921.16, F.S.;
prohibiting a county or circuit court from directing that
the sentence imposed by the court be served coterminously
with a sentence imposed by another court; providing an
effective date.

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

Section 1. Subsection (3) of section 921.16, Florida
Statutes, is amended to read:

921.16 When sentences to be concurrent and when
consecutive.--

(3) A county court or circuit court of this state shall
not direct that the sentence imposed by such court be served
coterminously with a sentence imposed by a court of this state,
another state, or of the United States as coterminous sentencing
has never been authorized in this state. In the event a the
court directs a the Florida sentence to be coterminous, such
provision shall be deemed surplusage and shall have no effect on
any other statutory provisions as well as concurrent with a
sentence in another jurisdiction, the department shall notify
the other jurisdiction of the department's interest in the
offender until the offender has satisfied the commitment in the
other jurisdiction, or the Florida sentence has expired,
whichever occurs first. This interest does not prevent or
interfere with any program participation approved by the other
jurisdiction, nor does it prohibit parole or any similar release
granted by the other jurisdiction. If the offender is paroled by
the other jurisdiction, or the sentence is otherwise interrupted



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31 ~~prior to satisfaction, the department shall maintain an interest~~
32 ~~until supervision is terminated or the sentence has been~~
33 ~~satisfied.~~

34 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2003.