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1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to human trafficking; creating s. 787.05,
 3 F.S.; specifying elements of the offense of unlawfully
 4 obtaining labor or services; providing criminal penalties;
 5 creating s. 787.06, F.S.; providing definitions;
 6 specifying elements of the offense of human trafficking;
 7 providing criminal penalties; providing applicability;
 8 providing an effective date.

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

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 12 Section 1. Section 787.05, Florida Statutes, is created to
 13 read:

14 787.05 Unlawfully obtaining labor or services.--Any person
 15 who knowingly obtains the labor or services of a person by:

16 (1) Causing or threatening to cause bodily injury to that
 17 person or another person;

18 (2) Restraining or threatening to restrain that person or
 19 another person without lawful authority and against her or his
 20 will; or

21 (3) Withholding that person's governmental records,
 22 identifying information, or other personal property,

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 24 commits a felony of the second degree, punishable as provided in
 25 s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

26 Section 2. Section 787.06, Florida Statutes, is created to
 27 read:

28 787.06 Human trafficking.--

29 (1) As used in this section, the term:

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30 (a) "Forced labor or services" means labor or services
 31 obtained from a person by:

32 1. Using or threatening to use physical force against that
 33 person or another person; or

34 2. Restraining or confining or threatening to restrain or
 35 confine that person or another person without lawful authority
 36 and against her or his will.

37 (b) "Human trafficking" means transporting, soliciting,
 38 recruiting, harboring, providing, or obtaining another person
 39 for transport.

40 (2) Any person who knowingly engages in human trafficking
 41 with the intent that the trafficked person engage in forced
 42 labor or services commits a felony of the second degree,
 43 punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

44 Section 3. This act shall take effect October 1, 2004, and
 45 shall apply to offenses committed on or after that date.