By Senator Miller

18-1502-06

A bill to be entitled

An act relating to an accessory after the fact; amending s. 777.03, F.S.; providing that if a person maintains or assists the principal or accessory before the fact, or gives the offender any other aid, knowing that the offender had committed the offense of leaving the scene of an automobile accident, or had been accessory before the fact, with the intent that the offender avoids or escapes detection, arrest, trial, or punishment, that person is an accessory after the fact unless the court finds that the person is a victim of domestic violence; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 777.03, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

777.03 Accessory after the fact.--

(1)

(b) Any person, regardless of the relation to the offender, who maintains or assists the principal or accessory before the fact, or gives the offender any other aid, knowing that the offender had committed the offense of child abuse, neglect of a child, aggravated child abuse, aggravated manslaughter of a child under 18 years of age, ~~or~~ murder of a child under 18 years of age, <u>or leaving the scene of an accident in violation of s. 316.027,</u> or had been accessory thereto before the fact, with the intent that the offender avoids or escapes detection, arrest, trial, or punishment, is

CODING: Words ~~stricken~~ are deletions; words <u>underlined</u> are additions.

an accessory after the fact unless the court finds that the person is a victim of domestic violence.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2006.

****

SENATE SUMMARY

Provides that if a person maintains or assists the principal or accessory before the fact, or gives the offender any other aid, knowing that the offender had committed the offense of leaving the scene of an automobile accident, or had been accessory before the fact, with the intent that the offender avoids or escapes detection, arrest, trial, or punishment, that person is an accessory after the fact unless the court finds that the person is a victim of domestic violence.

CODING: Words ~~stricken~~ are deletions; words <u>underlined</u> are additions.