Florida Senate - 2007

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| 1 | A bill to be entitled |
| 2 | An act relating to criminal sentencing; |
| 3 | amending s. 775.0823, F.S.; providing that |
| 4 | adjudication of guilt or imposition of sentence |
| 5 | may not be suspended, deferred, or withheld for |
| б | an attempted felony murder committed against a |
| 7 | law enforcement officer, correctional officer, |
| 8 | state attorney, assistant state attorney, |
| 9 | justice, or judge; amending s. 921.0024, F.S., |
| 10 | relating to the worksheet for the Criminal |
| 11 | Punishment Code; providing for computing |
| 12 | sentence points if the primary offense is a |
| 13 | violation of s. 775.0823, F.S.; amending s. |
| 14 | 947.146, F.S., relating to inmates who are |
| 15 | ineligible for control release; conforming |
| 16 | cross-references to changes made by the act; |
| 17 | providing an effective date. |
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| 19 | Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: |
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| 21 | Section 1. Section 775.0823, Florida Statutes, is |
| 22 | amended to read: |
| 23 | 775.0823 Violent offenses committed against law |
| 24 | enforcement officers, correctional officers, state attorneys, |
| 25 | assistant state attorneys, justices, or judgesThe |
| 26 | Legislature does hereby provide for an increase and certainty |
| 27 | of penalty for any person convicted of a violent offense |
| 28 | against any law enforcement or correctional officer, as |
| 29 | defined in s. 943.10(1), (2), (3), (6), (7), (8), or (9); |
| 30 | against any state attorney elected pursuant to s. 27.01 or |
| 31 | assistant state attorney appointed under s. 27.181; or against |
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1 any justice or judge of a court described in Art. V of the 2 State Constitution, which offense arises out of or in the scope of the officer's duty as a law enforcement or 3 correctional officer, the state attorney's or assistant state 4 attorney's duty as a prosecutor or investigator, or the 5 6 justice's or judge's duty as a judicial officer, as follows: 7 (1) For murder in the first degree as described in s. 8 782.04(1), if the death sentence is not imposed, a sentence of 9 imprisonment for life without eligibility for release. 10 (2) For attempted murder in the first degree as described in s. 782.04(1), a sentence pursuant to s. 775.082, 11 12 s. 775.083, or s. 775.084. 13 (3) For attempted felony murder as described in s. 782.051(1), (2), or (3), a sentence pursuant to s. 775.082, s. 14 775.083, or s. 775.084. 15 (4) (4) (3) For murder in the second degree as described in 16 17 s. 782.04(2) and (3), a sentence pursuant to s. 775.082, s. 18 775.083, or s. 775.084. (5) (4) For attempted murder in the second degree as 19 described in s. 782.04(2) and (3), a sentence pursuant to s. 20 21 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084. 22 (6)(5) For murder in the third degree as described in 23 s. 782.04(4), a sentence pursuant to s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084. 2.4 (7) (6) For attempted murder in the third degree as 25 26 described in s. 782.04(4), a sentence pursuant to s. 775.082, 27 s. 775.083, or s. 775.084. 2.8 (8) (7) For manufacture as described in s. 782.07 during the commission of a crime, a sentence pursuant to s. 29 30 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084. 31

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          (9) (9) (8) For kidnapping as described in s. 787.01, a
    sentence pursuant to s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.
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          (10)(9) For aggravated battery as described in s.
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   784.045, a sentence pursuant to s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s.
   775.084.
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          (11) (11) For appravated assault as described in s.
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    784.021, a sentence pursuant to s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s.
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   775.084.
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   Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 948.01, with respect to
   any person who is found to have violated this section,
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    adjudication of quilt or imposition of sentence shall not be
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    suspended, deferred, or withheld.
           Section 2. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section
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    921.0024, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
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           921.0024 Criminal Punishment Code; worksheet
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    computations; scoresheets. --
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           (1)
                         (b) WORKSHEET KEY:
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   Legal status points are assessed when any form of legal status
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   existed at the time the offender committed an offense before
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    the court for sentencing. Four (4) sentence points are
    assessed for an offender's legal status.
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   Community sanction violation points are assessed when a
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    community sanction violation is before the court for
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    sentencing. Six (6) sentence points are assessed for each
    community sanction violation, and each successive community
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    sanction violation; however, if the community sanction
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   violation includes a new felony conviction before the
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1 sentencing court, twelve (12) community sanction violation 2 points are assessed for such violation, and for each successive community sanction violation involving a new felony 3 conviction. Multiple counts of community sanction violations 4 5 before the sentencing court shall not be a basis for б multiplying the assessment of community sanction violation 7 points. 8 Prior serious felony points: If the offender has a primary 9 offense or any additional offense ranked in level 8, level 9, 10 or level 10, and one or more prior serious felonies, a single 11 12 assessment of 30 points shall be added. For purposes of this 13 section, a prior serious felony is an offense in the offender's prior record that is ranked in level 8, level 9, or 14 level 10 under s. 921.0022 or s. 921.0023 and for which the 15 offender is serving a sentence of confinement, supervision, or 16 17 other sanction or for which the offender's date of release 18 from confinement, supervision, or other sanction, whichever is later, is within 3 years before the date the primary offense 19 or any additional offense was committed. 20 21 22 Prior capital felony points: If the offender has one or more 23 prior capital felonies in the offender's criminal record, points shall be added to the subtotal sentence points of the 2.4 25 offender equal to twice the number of points the offender 26 receives for the primary offense and any additional offense. A 27 prior capital felony in the offender's criminal record is a 2.8 previous capital felony offense for which the offender has 29 entered a plea of nolo contendere or guilty or has been found guilty; or a felony in another jurisdiction which is a capital 30 31

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1 felony in that jurisdiction, or would be a capital felony if 2 the offense were committed in this state. 3 4 Possession of a firearm, semiautomatic firearm, or machine qun: If the offender is convicted of committing or attempting 5 6 to commit any felony other than those enumerated in s. 7 775.087(2) while having in his or her possession: a firearm as 8 defined in s. 790.001(6), an additional 18 sentence points are assessed; or if the offender is convicted of committing or 9 attempting to commit any felony other than those enumerated in 10 s. 775.087(3) while having in his or her possession a 11 12 semiautomatic firearm as defined in s. 775.087(3) or a machine 13 gun as defined in s. 790.001(9), an additional 25 sentence points are assessed. 14 15 Sentencing multipliers: 16 17 Drug trafficking: If the primary offense is drug trafficking 18 under s. 893.135, the subtotal sentence points are multiplied, 19 at the discretion of the court, for a level 7 or level 8 20 offense, by 1.5. The state attorney may move the sentencing 21 22 court to reduce or suspend the sentence of a person convicted 23 of a level 7 or level 8 offense, if the offender provides substantial assistance as described in s. 893.135(4). 2.4 25 Law enforcement protection: If the primary offense is a 26 27 violation of the Law Enforcement Protection Act under s. 2.8 775.0823(2), (3), or (4), the subtotal sentence points are multiplied by 2.5. If the primary offense is a violation of 29 s. 775.0823(3), (4), (5), (6), (7), or (8), or (9), the 30 subtotal sentence points are multiplied by 2.0. If the primary 31

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1 offense is a violation of s. 784.07(3) or s. 775.0875(1), or of the Law Enforcement Protection Act under s. 775.0823(9) or 2 3 (10) or (11), the subtotal sentence points are multiplied by 4 1.5. 5 6 Grand theft of a motor vehicle: If the primary offense is 7 grand theft of the third degree involving a motor vehicle and 8 in the offender's prior record, there are three or more grand thefts of the third degree involving a motor vehicle, the 9 subtotal sentence points are multiplied by 1.5. 10 11 12 Offense related to a criminal street gang: If the offender is 13 convicted of the primary offense and committed that offense for the purpose of benefiting, promoting, or furthering the 14 interests of a criminal street gang as prohibited under s. 15 16 874.04, the subtotal sentence points are multiplied by 1.5. 17 Domestic violence in the presence of a child: If the offender 18 is convicted of the primary offense and the primary offense is 19 a crime of domestic violence, as defined in s. 741.28, which 20 was committed in the presence of a child under 16 years of age 21 22 who is a family or household member as defined in s. 741.28(3) 23 with the victim or perpetrator, the subtotal sentence points are multiplied by 1.5. 24 Section 3. Subsection (3) of section 947.146, Florida 25 Statutes, is amended to read: 26 27 947.146 Control Release Authority.--2.8 (3) Within 120 days prior to the date the state 29 correctional system is projected pursuant to s. 216.136 to exceed 99 percent of total capacity, the authority shall 30 determine eligibility for and establish a control release date 31

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1 for an appropriate number of parole ineligible inmates 2 committed to the department and incarcerated within the state who have been determined by the authority to be eligible for 3 discretionary early release pursuant to this section. In 4 establishing control release dates, it is the intent of the 5 б Legislature that the authority prioritize consideration of 7 eligible inmates closest to their tentative release date. The 8 authority shall rely upon commitment data on the offender information system maintained by the department to initially 9 identify inmates who are to be reviewed for control release 10 consideration. The authority may use a method of objective 11 12 risk assessment in determining if an eligible inmate should be 13 released. Such assessment shall be a part of the department's management information system. However, the authority shall 14 have sole responsibility for determining control release 15 eligibility, establishing a control release date, and 16 17 effectuating the release of a sufficient number of inmates to 18 maintain the inmate population between 99 percent and 100 percent of total capacity. Inmates who are ineligible for 19 control release are inmates who are parole eligible or inmates 20 21 who:

(a) Are serving a sentence that includes a mandatory minimum provision for a capital offense or drug trafficking offense and have not served the number of days equal to the mandatory minimum term less any jail-time credit awarded by the court;

(b) Are serving the mandatory minimum portion of a
sentence enhanced under s. 775.087(2) or (3), or s. 784.07(3);
(c) Are convicted, or have been previously convicted,
of committing or attempting to commit sexual battery, incest,
or any of the following lewd or indecent assaults or acts:

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1 masturbating in public; exposing the sexual organs in a 2 perverted manner; or nonconsensual handling or fondling of the sexual organs of another person; 3 (d) Are convicted, or have been previously convicted, 4 of committing or attempting to commit assault, aggravated 5 6 assault, battery, or aggravated battery, and a sex act was 7 attempted or completed during commission of such offense; 8 (e) Are convicted, or have been previously convicted, of committing or attempting to commit kidnapping, burglary, or 9 murder, and the offense was committed with the intent to 10 commit sexual battery or a sex act was attempted or completed 11 12 during commission of the offense; 13 (f) Are convicted, or have been previously convicted, of committing or attempting to commit false imprisonment upon 14 a child under the age of 13 and, in the course of committing 15 the offense, the inmate committed aggravated child abuse, 16 17 sexual battery against the child, or a lewd or lascivious 18 offense committed upon or in the presence of a person less than 16 years of age; 19 (g) Are sentenced, have previously been sentenced, or 20 21 have been sentenced at any time under s. 775.084, or have been 22 sentenced at any time in another jurisdiction as a habitual 23 offender; (h) Are convicted, or have been previously convicted, 2.4 of committing or attempting to commit assault, aggravated 25 26 assault, battery, aggravated battery, kidnapping, 27 manslaughter, or murder against an officer as defined in s. 2.8 943.10(1), (2), (3), (6), (7), (8), or (9); against a state 29 attorney or assistant state attorney; or against a justice or judge of a court described in Art. V of the State 30 Constitution; or against an officer, judge, or state attorney 31 8

1 employed in a comparable position by any other jurisdiction; 2 or (i) Are convicted, or have been previously convicted, 3 of committing or attempting to commit murder in the first, 4 second, or third degree under s. 782.04(1), (2), (3), or (4), 5 6 or have ever been convicted of any degree of murder or 7 attempted murder in another jurisdiction; 8 (j) Are convicted, or have been previously convicted, of DUI manslaughter under s. 316.193(3)(c)3., and are 9 sentenced, or have been sentenced at any time, as a habitual 10 offender for such offense, or have been sentenced at any time 11 12 in another jurisdiction as a habitual offender for such 13 offense; (k)1. Are serving a sentence for an offense committed 14 on or after January 1, 1994, for a violation of the Law 15 Enforcement Protection Act under s. 775.0823(2), (3), (4), or 16 17 (5), or (6), and the subtotal of the offender's sentence 18 points is multiplied pursuant to former s. 921.0014 or s. 921.0024; 19 2. Are serving a sentence for an offense committed on 20 21 or after October 1, 1995, for a violation of the Law 22 Enforcement Protection Act under s. 775.0823(2), (3), (4), 23 (5), (6), (7), or (8), or (9), and the subtotal of the offender's sentence points is multiplied pursuant to former s. 2.4 921.0014 or s. 921.0024; 25 (1) Are serving a sentence for an offense committed on 26 27 or after January 1, 1994, for possession of a firearm, 2.8 semiautomatic firearm, or machine gun in which additional 29 points are added to the subtotal of the offender's sentence 30 points pursuant to former s. 921.0014 or s. 921.0024; or 31

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| 1 | (m) Are convicted, or have been previously convicted, |
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| 2 | of committing or attempting to commit manslaughter, |
| 3 | kidnapping, robbery, carjacking, home-invasion robbery, or a |
| 4 | burglary under s. 810.02(2). |
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| 7 | this subsection, the authority may rely on any document |
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| 9 | proceedings, including, but not limited to, any presentence or |
| 10 | postsentence investigation or any information contained in |
| 11 | arrest reports relating to circumstances of the offense. |
| 12 | Section 4. This act shall take effect October 1, 2007. |
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| 15 | SENATE SUMMARY |
| 16 | Prohibits suspending, deferring, or withholding adjudication of guilt or imposition of sentence if the |
| 17 | offense is an attempted felony murder committed against a law enforcement officer, correctional officer, state |
| 18 | attorney, assistant state attorney, justice, or judge. Conforms the worksheet of the Criminal Punishment Code. |
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