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A bill to be entitled

2 An act relating to juvenile justice; amending s. 985.0301, 3 F.S.; permitting a court to retain jurisdiction over a child and the child's parent or legal guardian whom the 4 court has ordered to pay costs, fees, and costs associated 5 6 with court-appointed counsel until the costs, fees, and 7 costs associated with court-appointed counsel are 8 satisfied; providing intent; amending s. 985.101, F.S.; 9 permitting a child to be taken into custody for violations of pretrial release conditions; authorizing the court to 10 set reasonable conditions of pretrial release; providing 11 examples of such conditions; providing that conditions of 12 pretrial release may not be used to impose home detention 13 when not otherwise authorized; amending s. 985.24, F.S.; 14 providing an additional finding to support use of secure, 15 16 nonsecure, or home detention; amending s. 985.245, F.S.; 17 providing that placement in detention care under a 18 specified provision does not require a risk assessment; 19 amending s. 985.25, F.S.; providing additional grounds for 20 placement of a child in secure detention care; amending s. 985.255, F.S.; providing for continuing nonsecure or home 21 detention care or secure detention care prior to a 22 detention hearing in certain circumstances; amending s. 23 24 985.26, F.S.; revising time limits for secure, nonsecure, 25 or home detention care under a special detention order; 26 requiring that children who have been released comply with pretrial release conditions; permitting a child to be held 27 in secure detention care for additional time under 28

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specified circumstances; providing that certain time 29 30 limits do not apply to secure detention under a specified provision; amending s. 985.265, F.S.; specifying some 31 changed circumstances that permit the Department of 32 Juvenile Justice to transfer a child from nonsecure or 33 home detention care to secure detention care; amending s. 34 35 985.27, F.S.; specifying circumstances under which a child who is awaiting placement in a low-risk or minimum-risk 36 37 residential program may be held in secure detention care; 38 providing time limits on such detention care; providing for secure detention care for absconders from specified 39 types of care; providing for secure detention care of a 40 child awaiting placement in a moderate-risk residential 41 program; providing for secure detention care in specified 42 circumstances; creating s. 985.28, F.S.; providing for 43 44 secure detention of a child in specified circumstances; permitting a parent or legal quardian of a child to be 45 held in contempt of court if he or she knowingly and 46 47 willfully fails to bring or otherwise prevents the child 48 from appearing for trial; amending s. 985.35, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference to changes made by the act; 49 amending s. 985.43, F.S.; providing legislative intent 50 concerning the determination whether to commit a juvenile 51 to the Department of Juvenile Justice and the most 52 53 appropriate placement level if the juvenile is committed; 54 amending s. 985.433, F.S.; revising provisions relating to recommendations by probation officers to the court 55 concerning placement and any proposed treatment plan of 56 Page 2 of 19

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57	juveniles; specifying that the court has the power to
58	determine appropriate dispositions; requiring that reasons
59	for a disposition be stated for the record; creating s.
60	938.20, F.S.; permitting each county to create a juvenile
61	crime prevention fund; providing for an additional court
62	cost; providing for administration and use of funds;
63	providing an effective date.
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65	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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67	Section 1. Paragraph (j) of subsection (5) of section
68	985.0301, Florida Statutes, is redesignated as paragraph (k),
69	and a new paragraph (j) is added to that subsection to read:
70	985.0301 Jurisdiction
71	(5)
72	(j) The court may retain jurisdiction over a child and the
73	child's parent or legal guardian whom the court has ordered to
74	pay costs, fees, and costs associated with court-appointed
75	counsel until the costs, fees, and costs associated with court-
76	appointed counsel are satisfied, regardless of adjudication. The
77	court may retain jurisdiction under this paragraph in
78	conjunction with paragraph (i), or it may retain jurisdiction
79	solely under this paragraph. It is the intent of the Legislature
80	that the child and the child's parent or legal guardian remain
81	responsible for unpaid costs, fees, and costs associated with
82	court-appointed counsel until the unpaid costs, fees, and costs
83	associated with court-appointed counsel are satisfied, even
84	after the child turns 19 years of age. The implementation of
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85	this paragraph does not, in any way, authorize or otherwise
86	permit details of the juvenile court record to be disclosed
87	except as provided by law.
88	Section 2. Paragraph (d) of subsection (1) of section
89	985.101, Florida Statutes, is amended, and subsection (5) is
90	added to that section, to read:
91	985.101 Taking a child into custody; pretrial release
92	conditions
93	(1) A child may be taken into custody under the following
94	circumstances:
95	(d) By a law enforcement officer who has probable cause to
96	believe that the child is in violation of the <u>conditions of the</u>
97	child's pretrial release, conditions of the child's probation,
98	home detention, postcommitment probation, or conditional release
99	supervision; has absconded from nonresidential commitment; or
100	has escaped from residential commitment.
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102	Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to allow the
103	detention of a child who does not meet the detention criteria in
104	part V.
105	(5) The circuit court shall have the authority to set
106	reasonable conditions of pretrial release. The child shall
107	comply with all such pretrial release conditions prior to an
108	adjudicatory hearing. Reasonable conditions of pretrial release
109	may include, but are not limited to, the following:
110	(a) The child shall obey all laws.
111	(b) The child shall not possess or carry any weapon.

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112 The child shall not possess or use any alcoholic (C) beverage or any illegal drug or associate with those who do. 113 The child shall obey all reasonable household rules. 114 (d) The child shall attend school regularly, including all 115 (e) 116 classes. 117 The child shall abide by the curfew set by his or her (f) 118 parents or quardian or as set by the court. 119 The child shall have no contact with any codefendants, (q) 120 an alleged victim, or the family of any alleged victim. (h) The child shall not return to the scene of the alleged 121 122 crime. 123 124 The circuit court is not authorized to use conditions of 125 pretrial release under this subsection to impose home detention on a child who does not otherwise qualify for home detention. 126 Section 3. Subsection (1) of section 985.24, Florida 127 128 Statutes, is amended to read: 129 985.24 Use of detention; prohibitions.--130 (1)All determinations and court orders regarding the use of secure, nonsecure, or home detention care shall be based 131 132 primarily upon findings that the child: 133 (a) Presents a substantial risk of not appearing at a 134 subsequent hearing; 135 Presents a substantial risk of inflicting bodily harm (b) on others as evidenced by recent behavior; 136 Presents a history of committing a property offense 137 (C) prior to adjudication, disposition, or placement; 138

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139 (d) Has been adjudicated delinquent and committed to the department in a residential facility, but is on home or 140 141 nonsecure detention care while awaiting placement, and: 142 1. Absconds from home or nonsecure detention care or 143 otherwise violates the terms of release; or 144 There is probable cause to believe that the child has 2. 145 committed a new violation of law while awaiting placement; (e) (d) Has committed contempt of court by: 146 147 1. Intentionally disrupting the administration of the 148 court; Intentionally disobeying a court order; or 149 2. Engaging in a punishable act or speech in the court's 150 3. presence which shows disrespect for the authority and dignity of 151 152 the court; or (f) (e) Requests protection from imminent bodily harm. 153 Section 4. Subsection (1) of section 985.245, Florida 154 155 Statutes, is amended to read: 156 985.245 Risk assessment instrument.--157 (1)All determinations and court orders regarding placement of a child into detention care shall comply with all 158 159 requirements and criteria provided in this part and shall be 160 based on a risk assessment of the child, unless the child is 161 placed into detention care as provided in s. 985.255(2) or s. 162 985.28. Section 5. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 163 985.25, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 164 985.25 Detention intake.--165

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(1) The juvenile probation officer shall receive custody
of a child who has been taken into custody from the law
enforcement agency and shall review the facts in the law
enforcement report or probable cause affidavit and make such
further inquiry as may be necessary to determine whether
detention care is required.

(b) The juvenile probation officer shall base the decision
whether or not to place the child into secure detention care,
home detention care, or nonsecure detention care on an
assessment of risk in accordance with the risk assessment
instrument and procedures developed by the department under s.
985.245. However, a child shall be placed in secure detention
<u>care if:</u>

179 <u>1. The child is</u> charged with possessing or discharging a 180 firearm on school property in violation of s. 790.115<u>;</u>

181 <u>2. The child is alleged to have absconded from home or</u>
 182 <u>nonsecure detention care or the child otherwise violates the</u>
 183 <u>terms of release after adjudication and commitment to the</u>
 184 <u>department but before placement in a residential facility; or</u>

185 <u>3. There is probable cause to believe the child has</u>
 186 <u>committed a new violation of law while on home or nonsecure</u>
 187 <u>detention care after adjudication and commitment but before</u>
 188 <u>placement in a residential facility shall be placed in secure</u>
 189 <u>detention care</u>.

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191 Under no circumstances shall the juvenile probation officer or 192 the state attorney or law enforcement officer authorize the

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detention of any child in a jail or other facility intended or used for the detention of adults, without an order of the court. Section 6. Paragraphs (a) through (j) of subsection (1) of section 985.255, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as paragraphs (c) through (l), respectively, new paragraphs (a) and (b) are added to that subsection, and paragraphs (a) and (c) of subsection (3) of that section are amended, to read:

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985.255 Detention criteria; detention hearing .--

(1) Subject to s. 985.25(1), a child taken into custody
and placed into nonsecure or home detention care or detained in
secure detention care prior to a detention hearing may continue
to be detained by the court if:

205 (a) The child is alleged to have absconded from home or 206 nonsecure detention care or otherwise violates the terms of 207 release after adjudication and commitment but while awaiting 208 placement in a residential facility.

(b) There is probable cause to believe the child has
 committed a new violation of law while on home or nonsecure
 detention care after adjudication and commitment but while
 awaiting placement in a residential facility.

213 (3) (a) A child who meets any of the criteria in subsection 214 (1) and who is ordered to be detained under that subsection 215 shall be given a hearing within 24 hours after being taken into custody. The purpose of the detention hearing is to determine 216 the existence of probable cause that the child has committed the 217 delinquent act or violation of law that he or she is charged 218 with and the need for continued detention. Unless a child is 219 detained under paragraph (1)(a), paragraph (1)(b), paragraph 220

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(1)(f) (d), or paragraph (1)(g) (e), the court shall use the 221 222 results of the risk assessment performed by the juvenile 223 probation officer and, based on the criteria in subsection (1), shall determine the need for continued detention. A child placed 224 225 into secure, nonsecure, or home detention care may continue to be so detained by the court. A child detained under paragraph 226 227 (1) (a) or paragraph (1) (b) may be placed into secure detention care pending placement in a residential facility. 228

Except as provided in paragraph (1)(a), paragraph 229 (C) (1)(b), s. 790.22(8), or in s. 985.27, when a child is placed 230 231 into secure or nonsecure detention care, or into a respite home or other placement pursuant to a court order following a 232 hearing, the court order must include specific instructions that 233 234 direct the release of the child from such placement no later 235 than 5 p.m. on the last day of the detention period specified in 236 s. 985.26 or s. 985.27, whichever is applicable, unless the requirements of such applicable provision have been met or an 237 order of continuance has been granted under s. 985.26(3) (4). 238

239 Section 7. Section 985.26, Florida Statutes, is amended to 240 read:

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985.26 Length of detention .--

(1) A child may not be placed into or held in secure,
nonsecure, or home detention care for longer than 24 hours
unless the court orders such detention care, and the order
includes specific instructions that direct the release of the
child from such detention care, in accordance with s. 985.255.
The order shall be a final order, reviewable by appeal under s.
985.534 and the Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure. Appeals of
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such orders shall take precedence over other appeals and other pending matters.

A child may not be held in secure, nonsecure, or home 251 (2) 252 detention care under a special detention order for more than 30 253 21 days unless an adjudicatory hearing for the case has been 254 commenced in good faith by the court. However, upon good cause 255 being shown that the nature of the charge requires additional 256 time for the prosecution or defense of the case, the court may 257 extend the length of detention for an additional 15 9 days if the child is charged with an offense that would be, if committed 258 259 by an adult, a capital felony, a life felony, a felony of the first degree, or a felony of the second degree involving 260 violence against any individual. If a child is released under 261 262 this subsection, the child must comply with all conditions of pretrial release set by the circuit court. Furthermore, a child 263 264 may be held in secure detention longer than 30 days if:

(a) The child is alleged to have absconded from home or nonsecure detention care or otherwise violates the terms of release after adjudication and commitment but while awaiting placement in a residential facility; or

(b) There is probable cause to believe the child has
 committed a new violation of law while on home or nonsecure
 detention care after adjudication and commitment but while
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274 If a child meets the criteria in this subsection, the child may

275 be held in secure detention care until the child is placed in a

276 residential facility.

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277 (3) Except as provided in subsection (2), a child may not
 278 be held in secure, nonsecure, or home detention care for more
 279 than 15 days following the entry of an order of adjudication.

(3) (4) The time limits in subsection subsections (2) and 280 281 (3) do not include periods of delay resulting from a continuance 282 granted by the court for cause on motion of the child or his or 283 her counsel or of the state. Upon the issuance of an order 284 granting a continuance for cause on a motion by either the 285 child, the child's counsel, or the state, the court shall conduct a hearing at the end of each 72-hour period, excluding 286 287 Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays, to determine the need for continued detention of the child and the need for further 288 continuance of proceedings for the child or the state. 289

290 (4) The time limits required under this section do not
291 apply to children held in secure detention care pursuant to s.
292 985.28.

A child who was not in secure detention care at the 293 (5) 294 time of the adjudicatory hearing, but for whom residential 295 commitment is anticipated or recommended, may be placed under a special detention order for a period not to exceed 72 hours, 296 297 excluding weekends and legal holidays, for the purpose of 298 conducting a comprehensive evaluation as provided in s. 985.185. 299 Motions for the issuance of such special detention order may be made subsequent to a finding of delinquency. Upon said motion, 300 the court shall conduct a hearing to determine the 301 appropriateness of such special detention order and shall order 302 the least restrictive level of detention care necessary to 303 complete the comprehensive evaluation process that is consistent 304 Page 11 of 19

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305 with public safety. Such special detention order may be extended 306 for an additional 72 hours upon further order of the court. If a child is detained and a petition for delinquency 307 (6) 308 is filed, the child shall be arraigned in accordance with the 309 Florida Rules of Juvenile Procedure within 48 hours after the 310 filing of the petition for delinquency. 311 Section 8. Subsection (1) of section 985.265, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 312 313 985.265 Detention transfer and release; education; adult 314 jails.--315 (1)If a child is detained under this part, the department may transfer the child from nonsecure or home detention care to 316 secure detention care only if significantly changed 317 318 circumstances warrant such transfer. Such circumstances include, but are not necessarily limited to: 319 320 (a) Where a child is alleged to have absconded from home or nonsecure detention care or otherwise violates the terms of 321 322 release after adjudication and commitment but while awaiting 323 placement in a residential facility; or Where probable cause exists that a child has committed 324 (b) 325 a new violation of law while on home or nonsecure detention care 326 after adjudication and commitment but while awaiting placement 327 in a residential facility. Section 9. Subsection (1) of section 985.27, Florida 328 329 Statutes, is amended to read: 330 985.27 Postcommitment detention while awaiting 331 placement.--

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(1) The court must place all children who are adjudicated
and awaiting placement in a commitment program in <u>secure</u>
<u>detention care</u>, home detention care, or nonsecure
care. Children who are in home detention care or nonsecure
detention care may be placed on electronic monitoring.

337 A child who is awaiting placement in a low-risk or (a) 338 minimum-risk residential program may only be held in secure 339 detention care if the child violates the conditions of home 340 detention care or nonsecure detention care or otherwise violates 341 the terms of release; the child violates the conditions of the 342 electronic monitoring agreement; or if the child otherwise qualifies for secure detention care under s. 985.255 or under 343 344 the criteria in this paragraph. The child may be placed in 345 secure detention care for 5 days, excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays, for the first violation. For any subsequent 346 347 violation, the court may impose an additional 15 days in secure 348 detention care. If any child who absconds from home detention 349 care or nonsecure detention care or otherwise violates the terms 350 of release or electronic monitoring, or where there is probable cause that a child committed a new violation of law while on 351 352 home detention care, nonsecure detention care, or electronic 353 monitoring, and is awaiting placement in a residential program 354 may be held in secure detention care until placed in a 355 residential facility or program with credit for time served. A child who is awaiting placement in a low risk residential 356 program must be removed from detention within 5 days, excluding 357 Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays. Any child held in secure 358 359 detention during the 5 days must meet detention admission Page 13 of 19

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360	criteria under this part. A child who is placed in home
361	detention care, nonsecure detention care, or home or nonsecure
362	detention care with electronic monitoring, while awaiting
363	placement in a minimum risk or low risk program, may be held in
364	secure detention care for 5 days, if the child violates the
365	conditions of the home detention care, the nonsecure detention
366	care, or the electronic monitoring agreement. For any subsequent
367	violation, the court may impose an additional 5 days in secure
368	detention care.
369	(b)1. A child who is awaiting placement in a moderate-risk
370	residential program must be placed in secure detention care,
371	home detention care, or nonsecure detention care. Any child held
372	in secure detention care must meet detention admission criteria
373	under this part.
374	2. A child may not be held in secure detention care longer
375	than 15 days while awaiting placement in a moderate-risk
376	residential facility, except that any child shall be held in
377	secure detention care until placed in a residential facility or
378	program with credit for time served if:
379	a. The child is alleged to have absconded from home
380	detention care or nonsecure detention care or otherwise violated
381	the terms of release or electronic monitoring; or
382	b. Where probable cause exists that a child committed a
383	new violation of law while on home detention care, nonsecure
384	detention care, or electronic monitoring and the child is
385	awaiting placement in a residential program. A child who is
386	awaiting placement in a moderate-risk residential program must
387	be removed from detention within 5 days, excluding Saturdays,
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Sundays, and legal holidays. Any child held in secure detention 388 389 during the 5 days must meet detention admission criteria under this part. The department may seek an order from the court 390 391 authorizing continued detention for a specific period of time 392 necessary for the appropriate residential placement of the 393 child. However, such continued detention in secure detention 394 care may not exceed 15 days after entry of the commitment order, excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays, and except as 395 396 otherwise provided in this section. A child who is placed in 397 home detention care, nonsecure detention care, or home or 398 nonsecure detention care with electronic monitoring, while awaiting placement in a moderate risk program, may be held in 399 400 secure detention care for 5 days, if the child violates the 401 conditions of the home detention care, the nonsecure detention 402 care, or the electronic monitoring agreement. For any subsequent 403 violation, the court may impose an additional 5 days in secure 404 detention care. 405 If the child is committed to a high-risk residential (C) 406 program, the child must be held in secure detention care until placement or commitment is accomplished. 407 408 (d) If the child is committed to a maximum-risk 409 residential program, the child must be held in secure detention care until placement or commitment is accomplished. 410 Section 10. Section 985.28, Florida Statutes, is created 411 to read: 412 413 985.28 Appearance in court; pretrial detention; 414 contempt. --

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415 (1) A child may be held in secure detention care if, after 416 proper notice, the child refuses to appear in court, runs away, 417 or otherwise intentionally avoids his or her appearance in 418 court. The court may hold the child in secure detention care 419 until the trial concludes, regardless of the results of the risk 420 assessment instrument. 421 (2) A parent or legal quardian, after being properly 422 noticed, who knowingly and willfully fails to bring or otherwise 423 prevents a child from appearing for trial may be held in 424 contempt of court. Section 11. Subsection (1) of section 985.35, Florida 425 426 Statutes, is amended to read: 985.35 Adjudicatory hearings; withheld adjudications; 427 428 orders of adjudication. --The adjudicatory hearing must be held as soon as 429 (1)430 practicable after the petition alleging that a child has committed a delinguent act or violation of law is filed and in 431 accordance with the Florida Rules of Juvenile Procedure; but 432 433 reasonable delay for the purpose of investigation, discovery, or procuring counsel or witnesses shall be granted. If the child is 434 435 being detained, the time limitations in s. 985.26(2) and (3) 436 apply. 437 Section 12. Subsection (4) is added to section 985.43, Florida Statutes, to read: 438 985.43 Predisposition reports; other evaluations.--439 (4) It is the intent of the Legislature that the court is 440 in the best position to weigh all facts and circumstances to 441 442 determine whether or not to commit a juvenile to the department Page 16 of 19

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443 and to determine the most appropriate placement level for a 444 juvenile committed to the department.

445 Section 13. Paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (7) of 446 section 985.433, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

985.433 Disposition hearings in delinquency cases.--When a child has been found to have committed a delinquent act, the following procedures shall be applicable to the disposition of the case:

If the court determines that the child should be 451 (7) 452 adjudicated as having committed a delinquent act and should be 453 committed to the department, such determination shall be in 454 writing or on the record of the hearing. The determination shall include a specific finding of the reasons for the decision to 455 456 adjudicate and to commit the child to the department, including any determination that the child was a member of a criminal 457 458 street gang.

459 (a) The juvenile probation officer shall make a 460 recommendation to the court concerning placement and any 461 proposed treatment plan recommend to the court the most 462 appropriate placement and treatment plan, specifically 463 identifying the restrictiveness level most appropriate for the 464 child. If the court has determined that the child was a member of a criminal street gang, that determination shall be given 465 great weight in identifying the most appropriate restrictiveness 466 level for the child. The court shall consider the department's 467 recommendation in making its commitment decision. 468

(b) The court <u>may</u> shall commit the child to the department
 at the restrictiveness level identified <u>by the department</u> or <u>the</u>
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471 court may order placement at a different restrictiveness level. 472 The court may determine the disposition on the same factors as 473 the department considered in the department's predisposition 474 report and placement recommendation even if the court reaches a 475 different conclusion. The court may commit the child to a 476 different restrictiveness level than recommended by the 477 department. The court shall state for the record the reasons for 478 the disposition imposed that establish by a preponderance of the 479 evidence why the court is disregarding the assessment of the 480 child and the restrictiveness level recommended by the 481 department. Any party may appeal the court's findings resulting 482 in a modified level of restrictiveness under this paragraph. Section 14. Section 938.20, Florida Statutes, is created 483 484 to read: 485 938.20 County juvenile crime prevention fund. --486 (1)Notwithstanding s. 318.121, and in addition to ss. 487 938.19 and 939.185, in each county the board of county 488 commissioners may adopt a mandatory court cost to be assessed in 489 specific cases by incorporating by reference the provisions of 490 this section in a county ordinance. Assessments collected by the 491 clerk of the circuit court under this section shall be deposited 492 into an account specifically for the administration of the 493 county's juvenile crime prevention fund. The proceeds of the 494 county's juvenile crime prevention fund shall only be used to 495 fund local programs whose principal focus is the prevention of 496 juvenile crime, the creation of consequence or suspension centers, truancy programs, and other areas of local concern 497 relating to juvenile crime. 498

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499	(2) A sum of up to \$50 shall be assessed as a court cost
500	in the circuit court in the county against each juvenile who
501	pleads guilty or nolo contendere to, or is found guilty of,
502	regardless of adjudication, a violation of criminal law or
503	municipal or county ordinance.
504	(3) The assessment for court costs under this section
505	shall be assessed in addition to any other cost or fee and may
506	not be deducted from the proceeds of any other cost that is
507	received by the county.
508	(4)(a) The clerk of the circuit court shall collect the
509	assessments for court costs under this section and shall remit
510	the assessments to the county's juvenile crime prevention fund
511	monthly.
512	(b) The clerk of the circuit court shall withhold 3
513	percent of the assessments collected, which shall be retained as
514	fee income of the office of the clerk of the circuit court.
515	(5) A county's juvenile crime prevention fund must account
516	for all funds received and disbursed under this section in a
517	written report to the board of county commissioners of that
518	county. The report must be given to the commissioners by August
519	1 of each year unless a different date is required by the
520	commissioners.
521	(6) A county's juvenile crime prevention fund may be
522	administered by a nonprofit organization, a law enforcement
523	agency, the court administrator, the clerk of the circuit court,
524	a county agency, or another similar agency authorized by the
525	board of county commissioners of that county.
526	Section 15. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008.
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