

1                                   A bill to be entitled  
 2           An act relating to illegal aliens; providing definitions;  
 3           requiring law enforcement officers, sheriffs, chief  
 4           correctional officers, and clerks of the circuit court to  
 5           report to the Immigration and Customs Enforcement office  
 6           of the United States Department of Homeland Security  
 7           suspected illegal aliens who are arrested, detained, or  
 8           convicted of a felony; requiring law enforcement agencies  
 9           to provide written notice to each law enforcement officer  
 10          of the officer's duty to cooperate with federal officials  
 11          with regards to federal immigration laws; requiring the  
 12          Office of the Attorney General, the Department of Law  
 13          Enforcement, and all state and local law enforcement  
 14          agencies to vigorously pursue all opportunities to collect  
 15          federal funds to which the state may be entitled for the  
 16          reimbursement of moneys spent to enforce federal  
 17          immigration laws; 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.   Illegal aliens; reporting to federal  
 22           officials.--

- 23           (1) As used in this section, the term:  
 24           (a) "County or municipal detention facility" has the same  
 25           meaning as in s. 951.23, Florida Statutes.  
 26           (b) "Law enforcement officer" has the same meaning as in  
 27           s. 943.10, Florida Statutes.  
 28           (c) "Law enforcement agency" means any agency or unit of

29 government which has authority to employ or appoint law  
30 enforcement officers.

31 (2) (a) If a law enforcement officer has probable cause to  
32 believe that a person arrested for a felony offense is not  
33 legally present in the United States, the officer shall report  
34 that person to the Immigration and Customs Enforcement office of  
35 the United States Department of Homeland Security.

36 (b) If a person arrested for a felony offense is detained  
37 in a county or municipal detention facility and the sheriff or  
38 chief correctional officer reasonably believes that the person  
39 is not legally present in the United States, the sheriff or  
40 chief correctional officer shall report that person to the  
41 Immigration and Customs Enforcement office of the United States  
42 Department of Homeland Security.

43 (c) A judge of the circuit court shall direct the clerk of  
44 the circuit court to notify the Immigration and Customs  
45 Enforcement office of the United States Department of Homeland  
46 Security when a suspected alien has been convicted of or pleaded  
47 guilty to a felony.

48 (3) (a) Each law enforcement agency shall provide written  
49 notice to its law enforcement officers of each officer's duty to  
50 cooperate with federal officials with regards to enforcing  
51 federal laws governing immigration.

52 (b) Each law enforcement agency shall provide written  
53 confirmation to the Department of Law Enforcement by March 1 of  
54 each year that it has provided the notice to each officer  
55 employed by the agency.

56 (4) The Office of the Attorney General, the Department of

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58 agencies shall vigorously pursue all opportunities to collect  
59 all federal funds to which the state may be entitled for the  
60 reimbursement of moneys spent to enforce federal immigration  
61 laws.

62 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008.