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1                                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to substantial assistance; creating s.  
3           921.186, F.S.; permitting the state attorney to request  
4           the sentencing court to reduce or suspend the sentence of  
5           a person who has been convicted of violating any felony  
6           offense and who provides substantial assistance in the  
7           identification, arrest, or conviction of any accomplice,  
8           accessory, coconspirator, or principal of the person or  
9           other felon; providing that the arresting agency shall be  
10          given an opportunity to be heard in aggravation or  
11          mitigation in reference to any such motion; providing that  
12          the motion may be filed and heard in camera for good cause  
13          shown; providing that a judge may reduce or suspend the  
14          sentence if the judge finds that the defendant rendered  
15          substantial assistance; providing an effective date.

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

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19           Section 1.   Section 921.186, Florida Statutes, is created  
20   to read:

21           921.186 Substantial assistance.—Notwithstanding any other  
22   law, the state attorney may move the sentencing court to reduce  
23   or suspend the sentence of any person who is convicted of  
24   violating any felony offense and who provides substantial  
25   assistance in the identification, arrest, or conviction of any  
26   of that person's accomplices, accessories, coconspirators, or  
27   principals or of any other person engaged in criminal activity  
28   that would constitute a felony. The arresting agency shall be

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29 given an opportunity to be heard in aggravation or mitigation in  
30 reference to any such motion. Upon good cause shown, the motion  
31 may be filed and heard in camera. The judge hearing the motion  
32 may reduce or suspend the sentence if the judge finds that the  
33 defendant rendered such substantial assistance.

34 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2010.