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A bill to be entitled 1 2 An act relating to assault or battery of law enforcement 3 officers or firefighters; amending s. 784.07, F.S.; 4 increasing the mandatory minimum term of imprisonment for 5 battery of a law enforcement officer or firefighter with a 6 firearm or destructive device; increasing the mandatory 7 minimum term of imprisonment for such a battery while 8 possessing a semiautomatic firearm and its high-capacity 9 detachable box magazine or a machine gun; providing an effective date. 10 11 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 12 13 14 Section 1. Subsection (3) of section 784.07, Florida 15 Statutes, is amended to read: 16 784.07 Assault or battery of law enforcement officers, firefighters, emergency medical care providers, public transit 17 employees or agents, or other specified officers; 18 19 reclassification of offenses; minimum sentences.-20 (3) (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b), any person who 21 is convicted of a battery under paragraph (2) (b) and, during the 22 commission of the offense, such person possessed: 23 1.(a) A "firearm" or "destructive device" as those terms are defined in s. 790.001, shall be sentenced to a minimum term 24 25 of imprisonment of 3 years. 26 2.(b) A semiautomatic firearm and its high-capacity 27 detachable box magazine, as defined in s. 775.087(3), or a machine gun as defined in s. 790.001, shall be sentenced to a 28 Page 1 of 2

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29 minimum term of imprisonment of 8 years. 30 (b) Any person who is convicted of a battery under 31 paragraph (2)(b) on a law enforcement officer or a firefighter 32 and, during the commission of the offense, such person used: 33 1. A "firearm" or "destructive device" as those terms are 34 defined in s. 790.001, shall be sentenced to a minimum term of 35 imprisonment of 20 years. 36 2. A semiautomatic firearm and its high-capacity detachable box magazine, as defined in s. 775.087(3), or a 37 machine gun as defined in s. 790.001, shall be sentenced to a 38 39 minimum term of imprisonment of 25 years. 40 Notwithstanding s. 948.01, adjudication of guilt or imposition 41 42 of sentence shall not be suspended, deferred, or withheld, and 43 the defendant is not eligible for statutory gain-time under s. 44 944.275 or any form of discretionary early release, other than 45 pardon or executive clemency, or conditional medical release 46 under s. 947.149, prior to serving the minimum sentence. 47 Section 2. This act shall take effect October 1, 2011.

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