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Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Criminal Justice

Subcommittee

Representative Eagle offered the following:

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Amendment (with title amendment)

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Remove lines 19-60 and insert:

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Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (4) of section 985.35, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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985.35 Adjudicatory hearings; withheld adjudications; orders of adjudication.—

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(4) If the court finds that the child named in the petition has committed a delinquent act or violation of law, it may, in its discretion, enter an order stating the facts upon which its finding is based but withholding adjudication of delinquency.

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(a) Upon withholding adjudication of delinquency, the court may place the child in a probation program under the

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supervision of the department or under the supervision of any other person or agency specifically authorized and appointed by the court. The court may, as a condition of the program, impose as a penalty component restitution in money or in kind to be made by the child and the child's parent or guardian as defined in s. 985.437, community service, a curfew, urine monitoring, revocation or suspension of the driver's license of the child, or other nonresidential punishment appropriate to the offense, and may impose as a rehabilitative component a requirement of participation in substance abuse treatment, or school or other educational program attendance.

Section 2. Subsection (5) of section 985.437, Florida Statutes, is renumbered as subsection (7), subsections (1), (2), and (4) are amended, and new subsections (5) and (6) are added to that section, to read:

985.437 Restitution.-

withheld, the court that has jurisdiction over a an adjudicated delinquent child may, by an order stating the facts upon which a determination of a sanction and rehabilitative program was made at the disposition hearing, order the child and the child's parent or guardian to make restitution in the manner provided in this section. This order shall be part of the child's probation program to be implemented by the department or, in the case of a committed child, as part of the community-based sanctions

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ordered by the court at the disposition hearing or before the child's release from commitment.

- order the child and the child's parent or guardian to make restitution in money, through a promissory note cosigned by the child's parent or guardian, or in kind for any damage or loss caused by the child's offense in a reasonable amount or manner to be determined by the court. When restitution is ordered by the court, the amount of restitution may not exceed an amount the child and the parent or guardian could reasonably be expected to pay or make. If the child and the child's parent or guardian are unable to pay the restitution in one lump-sum payment, the court may set up a payment plan that reflects their ability to pay the restitution amount.
- (4) The parent or guardian may be absolved of liability for restitution under this section, if:
- (a) After a hearing, the court finds that it is the child's first referral to the delinquency system and A finding by the court, after a hearing, that the parent or guardian has made diligent and good faith efforts to prevent the child from engaging in delinquent acts; or
- (b) The victim entitled to restitution as a result of damage or loss caused by the child's offense is that child's parent or guardian absolves the parent or guardian of liability for restitution under this section.

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Children and Families, a foster parent with whom the child is placed, or the community-based care lead agency supervising the placement of the child pursuant to a contract with the Department of Children and Families are not considered a guardian responsible for restitution for the delinquent acts of a child who is found to be dependent as defined in s. 39.01(5).

TITLE AMENDMENT

Remove lines 3-9 and insert:
amending s. 985.35, F.S.; conforming language to changes made in
the act; amending s. 985.437, F.S.; requiring a child's parent
or guardian, in addition to the child, to make restitution for
damage or loss caused by the child's offense; providing for
payment plans in certain circumstances; authorizing the parent
or guardian to be absolved of liability for restitution in
certain circumstances; providing the court may order both
parents or guardians liable for the child's restitution

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COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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Amendment No. 1

93 regardless of one parent having sole parental responsibility;

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