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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to intrusion and burglar alarms;
3 amending s. 489.529, F.S.; providing an exclusion from
4 the requirement for a verification call prior to alarm
5 dispatch for specified premises; providing an
6 effective date.

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8 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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10 Section 1. Section 489.529, Florida Statutes, is amended to
11 read:

12 489.529 Alarm verification calls required.—All residential
13 or commercial intrusion/burglary alarms that have central
14 monitoring must have a central monitoring verification call made
15 to a telephone number associated with the premises generating
16 the alarm signal, prior to alarm monitor personnel contacting a
17 law enforcement agency for alarm dispatch. The central
18 monitoring station must employ call-verification methods for the
19 premises generating the alarm signal if the first call is not
20 answered. However, ~~if the intrusion/burglary alarms have~~
21 ~~properly operating visual or auditory sensors that enable the~~
22 ~~monitoring personnel to verify the alarm signal,~~ verification
23 calling is not required if:

24 (1) The intrusion/burglary alarm has a properly operating
25 visual or auditory sensor that enables the monitoring personnel
26 to verify the alarm signal; or

27 (2) The intrusion/burglary alarm is installed on a premises
28 that is used for the storage of firearms or ammunition by a
29 person who holds a valid federal firearms license as a
30 manufacturer, importer, or dealer of firearms or ammunition.

31 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2017.