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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to presentencing information;
3 requiring the Office of Program Policy Analysis and
4 Government Accountability (OPPAGA) to conduct a study
5 on the presentencing information provided to judges in
6 this state and the manner by which that information is
7 provided; requiring OPPAGA to examine alternative
8 means of providing such information; requiring the
9 Department of Corrections and the Office of the State
10 Courts Administrator, upon request, to assist OPPAGA
11 with the study; requiring OPPAGA, on or before a
12 certain date, to submit a report to the Governor and
13 the Legislature; providing an effective date.

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

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17 Section 1. The Office of Program Policy Analysis and
18 Government Accountability (OPPAGA) shall conduct a study on the
19 presentencing information provided to judges in this state and
20 the manner in which that information is provided. The study must
21 also examine alternatives to the way Florida provides judges
22 with presentencing information, such as Missouri's searchable
23 electronic database of sentencing information. The study must
24 include findings regarding the advantages, disadvantages, and
25 feasibility of the adoption in this state of features of other
26 states' models for providing presentencing information. Upon
27 request, the Department of Corrections and the Office of the
28 State Courts Administrator shall assist OPPAGA by providing
29 information that it determines is necessary to complete its

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30 report. On or before October 1, 2018, OPPAGA shall provide its
31 report to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the
32 Speaker of the House of Representatives.

33 Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.