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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate	.	House
Comm: RCS	.	
03/28/2019	.	
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The Committee on Infrastructure and Security (Lee) recommended the following:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

Between lines 174 and 175  
insert:

Section 2. Effective October 1, 2019, section 843.08, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

843.08 False personation.—A person who falsely assumes or pretends to be a firefighter, a sheriff, an officer of the Florida Highway Patrol, an officer of the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, a fire or arson investigator of the



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11 Department of Financial Services, an officer of the Department  
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13 Corrections, a correctional probation officer, a deputy sheriff,  
14 a state attorney or an assistant state attorney, a statewide  
15 prosecutor or an assistant statewide prosecutor, a state  
16 attorney investigator, a coroner, a police officer, a lottery  
17 special agent or lottery investigator, a beverage enforcement  
18 agent, a school guardian as described in s. 30.15(1)(k), a  
19 security officer licensed under chapter 493 ~~or watchman, or~~ any  
20 member of the Florida Commission on Offender Review or ~~and~~ any  
21 administrative aide or supervisor employed by the commission, ~~or~~  
22 any personnel or representative of the Department of Law  
23 Enforcement, or a federal law enforcement officer as defined in  
24 s. 901.1505, and takes upon himself or herself to act as such,  
25 or to require any other person to aid or assist him or her in a  
26 matter pertaining to the duty of any such officer, commits a  
27 felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s.  
28 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084. However, a person who  
29 falsely personates any such officer during the course of the  
30 commission of a felony commits a felony of the second degree,  
31 punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.  
32 If the commission of the felony results in the death or personal  
33 injury of another human being, the person commits a felony of  
34 the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s.  
35 775.083, or s. 775.084. ~~The term "watchman" means a security~~  
36 ~~officer licensed under chapter 493.~~

37 Section 3. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment  
38 made by this act to section 843.08, Florida Statutes, in a  
39 reference thereto, paragraph (b) of subsection (3) of section



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40 921.0022, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:  
41 921.0022 Criminal Punishment Code; offense severity ranking  
42 chart.—

43 (3) OFFENSE SEVERITY RANKING CHART

44 (b) LEVEL 2

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Florida Statute	Felony Degree	Description
379.2431 (1) (e) 3.	3rd	Possession of 11 or fewer marine turtle eggs in violation of the Marine Turtle Protection Act.
379.2431 (1) (e) 4.	3rd	Possession of more than 11 marine turtle eggs in violation of the Marine Turtle Protection Act.
403.413 (6) (c)	3rd	Dumps waste litter exceeding 500 lbs. in weight or 100 cubic feet in volume or any quantity for commercial purposes, or hazardous waste.
517.07 (2)	3rd	Failure to furnish a

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590.28 (1)

3rd

prospectus meeting  
requirements.

Intentional burning of  
lands.

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784.05 (3)

3rd

Storing or leaving a  
loaded firearm within  
reach of minor who uses  
it to inflict injury or  
death.

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787.04 (1)

3rd

In violation of court  
order, take, entice,  
etc., minor beyond state  
limits.

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806.13 (1) (b) 3.

3rd

Criminal mischief;  
damage \$1,000 or more to  
public communication or  
any other public  
service.

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810.061 (2)

3rd

Impairing or impeding  
telephone or power to a  
dwelling; facilitating  
or furthering burglary.

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810.09 (2) (e)

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Trespassing on posted



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812.014 (2) (c) 1.

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commercial horticulture  
property.

Grand theft, 3rd degree;  
\$300 or more but less  
than \$5,000.

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812.014 (2) (d)

3rd

Grand theft, 3rd degree;  
\$100 or more but less  
than \$300, taken from  
unenclosed curtilage of  
dwelling.

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812.015 (7)

3rd

Possession, use, or  
attempted use of an  
antishoplifting or  
inventory control device  
countermeasure.

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817.234 (1) (a) 2.

3rd

False statement in  
support of insurance  
claim.

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817.481 (3) (a)

3rd

Obtain credit or  
purchase with false,  
expired, counterfeit,  
etc., credit card, value  
over \$300.

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62	817.52 (3)	3rd	Failure to redeliver hired vehicle.
63	817.54	3rd	With intent to defraud, obtain mortgage note, etc., by false representation.
64	817.60 (5)	3rd	Dealing in credit cards of another.
65	817.60 (6) (a)	3rd	Forgery; purchase goods, services with false card.
66	817.61	3rd	Fraudulent use of credit cards over \$100 or more within 6 months.
67	826.04	3rd	Knowingly marries or has sexual intercourse with person to whom related.
68	831.01	3rd	Forgery.
	831.02	3rd	Uttering forged instrument; utters or publishes alteration with intent to defraud.



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69	831.07	3rd	Forging bank bills, checks, drafts, or promissory notes.
70	831.08	3rd	Possessing 10 or more forged notes, bills, checks, or drafts.
71	831.09	3rd	Uttering forged notes, bills, checks, drafts, or promissory notes.
72	831.11	3rd	Bringing into the state forged bank bills, checks, drafts, or notes.
73	832.05 (3) (a)	3rd	Cashing or depositing item with intent to defraud.
74	843.08	3rd	False personation.
75	893.13 (2) (a) 2.	3rd	Purchase of any s. 893.03 (1) (c), (2) (c) 1., (2) (c) 2., (2) (c) 3., (2) (c) 6., (2) (c) 7., (2) (c) 8., (2) (c) 9.,



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(2)(c)10., (3), or (4)  
drugs other than  
cannabis.

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893.147(2)

3rd

Manufacture or delivery  
of drug paraphernalia.

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80 ===== T I T L E   A M E N D M E N T =====

81 And the title is amended as follows:

82       Delete line 8

83 and insert:

84       they are appointed by a superintendent; amending s.  
85       843.08, F.S.; adding school guardians to the list of  
86       officials the false personation of whom is prohibited  
87       and subject to criminal penalties; making technical  
88       changes; reenacting s. 921.0022(3)(b), F.S., relating  
89       to the offense severity ranking chart of the Criminal  
90       Punishment Code, to incorporate the amendment made to  
91       s. 843.08, F.S., in a reference thereto; amending s.