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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to costs of incarceration; amending s.
3 960.293, F.S.; providing that only offenders convicted
4 of capital or life felonies are liable for a
5 liquidated damage amount for incarceration and other
6 correctional costs; removing provisions specifying a
7 fixed daily amount for an offender's liability for
8 incarceration costs and other correctional costs for
9 offenders convicted of certain offenses; providing an
10 effective date.

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

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14 Section 1. Subsection (2) of section 960.293, Florida
15 Statutes, is amended to read:

16 960.293 Determination of damages and losses.—

17 (2) Upon conviction, ~~a convicted offender is liable to the~~
18 ~~state and its local subdivisions for damages and losses for~~
19 ~~incarceration costs and other correctional costs.~~

20 ~~(a) if the conviction is for a capital or life felony, the~~
21 ~~convicted offender is liable for incarceration costs and other~~
22 ~~correctional costs in the liquidated damage amount of \$250,000.~~

23 ~~(b) If the conviction is for an offense other than a~~
24 ~~capital or life felony, a liquidated damage amount of \$50 per~~
25 ~~day of the convicted offender's sentence shall be assessed~~
26 ~~against the convicted offender and in favor of the state or its~~
27 ~~local subdivisions. Damages shall be based upon the length of~~
28 ~~the sentence imposed by the court at the time of sentencing.~~

29 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2021.