

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to traveling across county lines with
 3 intent to commit a felony; amending s. 843.22, F.S.;
 4 providing for reclassification of certain felony
 5 offenses when the person who commits the offense
 6 crosses a county line with specified intent; providing
 7 an effective date.

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

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 11 Section 1. Section 843.22, Florida Statutes, is amended to
 12 read:

13 843.22 Traveling across county lines with intent to commit
 14 a felony ~~burglary~~.-

15 (1) As used in this section, the term:

16 (a) "County of residence" means the county within this
 17 state in which a person resides. Evidence of a person's county
 18 of residence includes, but is not limited to:

19 1. The address on a person's driver license or state
 20 identification card;

21 2. Records of real property or mobile home ownership;

22 3. Records of a lease agreement for residential property;

23 4. The county in which a person's motor vehicle is
 24 registered;

25 5. The county in which a person is enrolled in an

26 | educational institution; and

27 | 6. The county in which a person is employed.

28 | (b) "Felony offense" means a felony violation of any of
 29 | the following:

30 | 1. "Burglary,"~~means burglary~~ as defined in s. 810.02.7

31 | 2. Grand theft, as prohibited under s. 812.014.

32 | 3. Trafficking in a controlled substance, as prohibited
 33 | under s. 893.135.

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 35 | For purposes of this paragraph, the term includes ~~including~~ an
 36 | attempt, solicitation, or conspiracy to commit such offense.

37 | (2) If a person who commits a felony offense ~~burglary~~
 38 | travels any distance with the intent to commit the felony
 39 | offense ~~burglary~~ in a county in this state other than the
 40 | person's county of residence, the degree of the felony offense
 41 | ~~burglary~~ shall be reclassified to the next higher degree if the
 42 | purpose of the person's travel is to thwart law enforcement
 43 | attempts to track the items stolen in the felony offense
 44 | ~~burglary~~. For purposes of sentencing under chapter 921 and
 45 | determining incentive gain-time eligibility under chapter 944, a
 46 | felony offense ~~burglary~~ that is reclassified under this section
 47 | is ranked one level above the ranking specified in s. 921.0022
 48 | or s. 921.0023 for the felony offense ~~burglary~~ committed.

49 | Section 2. This act shall take effect October 1, 2021.