

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; removing
 7 the requirement for reclassification that an
 8 offender's travel be for the purpose of thwarting law
 9 enforcement attempts to track stolen items; providing
 10 an 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. Section 843.22, Florida Statutes, is amended to
 15 read:

16 843.22 Traveling across county lines with intent to commit
 17 a felony ~~burglary~~.-

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

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

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

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

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

26 4. The county in which a person's motor vehicle is
 27 registered;

28 5. The county in which a person is enrolled in an
 29 educational institution; and

30 6. The county in which a person is employed.

31 (b) "Felony offense" means a felony violation of any of
 32 the following:

33 1. "Burglary," means burglary as defined in s. 810.02.⁷

34 2. Grand theft, as prohibited under s. 812.014.

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

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

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