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1                                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to traveling across county lines to  
3           commit a burglary; amending s. 843.22, F.S.; deleting  
4           a requirement that travel across county lines be for a  
5           specified purpose in order to reclassify a burglary  
6           offense; providing an effective date.  
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8 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:  
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10           Section 1. Subsection (2) of section 843.22, Florida  
11 Statutes, is amended to read:

12           843.22 Traveling across county lines with intent to commit  
13 a burglary.—

14           (2) If a person who commits a burglary travels any distance  
15 with the intent to commit the burglary in a county in this state  
16 other than the person's county of residence, the degree of the  
17 burglary shall be reclassified to the next higher degree ~~if the~~  
18 ~~purpose of the person's travel is to thwart law enforcement~~  
19 ~~attempts to track the items stolen in the burglary.~~ For purposes  
20 of sentencing under chapter 921 and determining incentive gain-  
21 time eligibility under chapter 944, a burglary that is  
22 reclassified under this section is ranked one level above the  
23 ranking specified in s. 921.0022 or s. 921.0023 for the burglary  
24 committed.

25           Section 2. This act shall take effect October 1, 2022.