

1                                   A bill to be entitled  
 2           An act relating to breach of bond costs; amending s.  
 3           903.21, F.S.; requiring sureties to pay costs and  
 4           expenses incurred in returning a defendant to the  
 5           jurisdiction of the court; revising the definition of  
 6           the term "jurisdiction" to which the defendant must be  
 7           returned; providing 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. Subsection (3) of section 903.21, Florida  
 12           Statutes, is amended to read:

13           903.21 Method of surrender; exoneration of obligors.—

14           (3) The surety shall be exonerated of liability on the  
 15           bond if it is determined prior to breach of the bond that the  
 16           defendant is in any jail or prison and the surety agrees in  
 17           writing to pay the costs and expenses incurred in ~~transportation~~  
 18           ~~cost~~ of returning the defendant to the jurisdiction of the  
 19           court. For purposes of this subsection, "jurisdiction" means the  
 20           county from which the defendant was released on bail ~~within the~~  
 21           ~~judicial circuit as prescribed by law.~~

22           Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2022.

CODING: Words ~~stricken~~ are deletions; words underlined are additions.