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1 A bill to be entitled 2 An act relating to citizen's arrest; creating s. 3 901.001, F.S.; abrogating the common law and 4 prohibiting citizen's arrests; providing exceptions; 5 providing an effective date. 6 7 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 8 9 Section 1. Section 901.001, Florida Statutes, is created to read: 10 11 901.001 Citizen's arrest.— (1) It is the intent of the Legislature to abrogate any 12 13 common-law remedy of citizen's arrest. A private person who is 14 not a law enforcement officer, as defined in s. 943.10(1), may not arrest another person for a violation of the laws of the 15 16 state. (2) 17 This section does not apply to: 18 (a) A person who is a law enforcement officer, as defined 19 in s. 943.10(1), who is acting outside of his or her 20 jurisdiction. Such an officer may arrest a person who commits a felony in his or her presence or arrest a person when a felony 21 22 has been committed and when the arresting officer has probable 23 cause to believe, and does believe, that the person arrested committed the felony. 24 25 (b) A person who detains, without use of deadly force, a

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person who has illegally entered his or her dwelling, vehicle,
or vessel until the arrival of a law enforcement officer.
Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2023.

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