

By Senator Harrell

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1                                   A bill to be entitled  
 2       An act relating to traveling across county lines to  
 3       commit criminal offenses; amending s. 843.22, F.S.;  
 4       deleting the definition of the term "burglary";  
 5       providing for reclassification of grand theft or  
 6       forcible felony offenses if the person who commits the  
 7       offense travels with the intent to commit the offense  
 8       in a county other than the person's county of  
 9       residence; providing an effective date.

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

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 13       Section 1. Section 843.22, Florida Statutes, is amended to  
 14       read:

15       843.22 Traveling across county lines with intent to commit  
 16       certain offenses ~~a burglary.~~

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

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

21       (a)1. The address on a person's driver license or state  
 22       identification card.†

23       (b)2. Records of real property or mobile home ownership.†

24       (c)3. Records of a lease agreement for residential  
 25       property.†

26       (d)4. The county in which a person's motor vehicle is  
 27       registered.†

28       (e)5. The county in which a person is enrolled in an  
 29       educational institution.† ~~and~~

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30        (f)~~6~~. The county in which a person is employed.

31        ~~(b) "Burglary" means burglary as defined in s. 810.02,~~  
32 ~~including an attempt, solicitation, or conspiracy to commit such~~  
33 ~~offense.~~

34        (2) If a person who commits a grand theft or a forcible  
35 felony, as defined in s. 776.08, burglary travels any distance  
36 with the intent to commit the offense burglary in a county in  
37 this state other than the person's county of residence, the  
38 degree of the offense burglary shall be reclassified to the next  
39 higher degree. For purposes of sentencing under chapter 921 and  
40 determining incentive gain-time eligibility under chapter 944,  
41 an offense a burglary that is reclassified under this section is  
42 ranked one level above the ranking specified in s. 921.0022 or  
43 s. 921.0023 for the offense burglary committed.

44        Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.