

1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to criminal offenses against law
3 enforcement officers and other personnel; providing a
4 short title; amending s. 776.051, F.S.; revising a
5 prohibition on the use or threatened use of force to
6 resist arrest or detention; defining the term "acting
7 in good faith"; amending s. 782.065, F.S.; providing
8 for enhanced punishment for manslaughter when
9 committed against specified officers; revising
10 applicability; amending s. 784.07, F.S.; revising the
11 definition of the term "law enforcement officer";
12 revising provisions concerning assault or battery upon
13 specified officers and other personnel; amending s.
14 843.01, F.S.; revising a provision concerning
15 resisting, obstructing, or opposing specified officers
16 or legally authorized persons; amending s. 921.0022,
17 F.S.; increasing the level on the offense severity
18 ranking chart for committing battery on law
19 enforcement officers and other specified personnel;
20 providing an effective date.

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

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24 **Section 1.** This act may be cited as the "Officer Jason
25 Raynor Act."

26 **Section 2. Section 776.051, Florida Statutes, is amended**
27 **to read:**

28 776.051 Use or threatened use of force in resisting arrest
29 or detention ~~making an arrest or in the execution of a legal~~
30 ~~duty~~; prohibition.—

31 ~~(1)~~ A person is not justified in the use or threatened use
32 of force to resist any an arrest or detention by a law
33 enforcement officer, or to resist a law enforcement officer who
34 is engaged in the performance of his or her official duties as
35 described in s. 943.10(1) ~~execution of a legal duty~~, if the law
36 enforcement officer was acting in good faith and he or she is
37 known, or reasonably appears, to be a law enforcement officer.
38 As used in this section, the term "acting in good faith" means
39 to make sincere and reasonable efforts to comply with legal
40 requirements, even if the arrest, detention, or other act is
41 later found to have been unlawful.

42 ~~(2) A law enforcement officer, or any person whom the~~
43 ~~officer has summoned or directed to assist him or her, is not~~
44 ~~justified in the use of force if the arrest or execution of a~~
45 ~~legal duty is unlawful and known by him or her to be unlawful.~~

46 **Section 3. Section 782.065, Florida Statutes, is amended**
47 **to read:**

48 782.065 Murder; law enforcement officer, correctional
49 officer, correctional probation officer.—Notwithstanding ss.
50 775.082, 775.0823, 782.04, 782.051, and chapter 921, a defendant

51 must ~~shall~~ be sentenced to life imprisonment without eligibility
52 for release upon findings by the trier of fact that, beyond a
53 reasonable doubt:

54 (1) The defendant committed murder in the first degree in
55 violation of s. 782.04(1) and a death sentence was not imposed;
56 murder in the second or third degree in violation of s.
57 782.04(2), (3), or (4); attempted murder in the first or second
58 degree in violation of s. 782.04(1)(a)1. or (2); ~~or~~ attempted
59 felony murder in violation of s. 782.051; or manslaughter in
60 violation of s. 782.07(1); and

61 (2) The victim of any offense described in subsection (1)
62 was a law enforcement officer, part-time law enforcement
63 officer, auxiliary law enforcement officer, correctional
64 officer, part-time correctional officer, auxiliary correctional
65 officer, correctional probation officer, part-time correctional
66 probation officer, or auxiliary correctional probation officer,
67 as those terms are defined in s. 943.10, who was engaged in the
68 performance of his or her official duties as described in s.
69 943.10 ~~lawful performance of a legal duty.~~

70 **Section 4. Paragraph (e) of subsection (1) and subsection**
71 **(2) of section 784.07, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:**

72 784.07 Assault or battery of law enforcement officers and
73 other specified personnel; reclassification of offenses; minimum
74 sentences.—

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

76 (e) "Law enforcement officer" includes a law enforcement
77 officer, a correctional officer, a correctional probation
78 officer, a part-time law enforcement officer, a part-time
79 correctional officer, an auxiliary law enforcement officer, and
80 an auxiliary correctional officer, as those terms are
81 respectively defined in s. 943.10, and any county probation
82 officer; an employee or agent of the Department of Corrections
83 who supervises or provides services to inmates; an officer of
84 the Florida Commission on Offender Review; a federal law
85 enforcement officer as defined in s. 901.1505; and law
86 enforcement personnel of the Fish and Wildlife Conservation
87 Commission, the Department of Environmental Protection, or the
88 Department of Law Enforcement. The duties and responsibilities
89 of these respective positions are described in s. 943.10.

90 (2) Whenever any person is charged with knowingly
91 committing an assault or battery upon a law enforcement officer,
92 a firefighter, an emergency medical care provider, hospital
93 personnel, a railroad special officer, a traffic accident
94 investigation officer as described in s. 316.640, a nonsworn law
95 enforcement agency employee who is certified as an agency
96 inspector, a blood alcohol analyst, or a breath test operator
97 while such employee is in uniform and engaged in processing,
98 testing, evaluating, analyzing, or transporting a person who is
99 detained or under arrest for DUI, a law enforcement explorer, a
100 traffic infraction enforcement officer as described in s.

316.640, a parking enforcement specialist as defined in s.
316.640, a person licensed as a security officer as defined in
s. 493.6101 and wearing a uniform that bears at least one patch
or emblem that is visible at all times that clearly identifies
the employing agency and that clearly identifies the person as a
licensed security officer, a security officer employed by the
board of trustees of a community college, or a utility worker
engaged in work on critical infrastructure as defined in s.
812.141(1), while the officer, firefighter, emergency medical
care provider, hospital personnel, railroad special officer,
traffic accident investigation officer, traffic infraction
enforcement officer, inspector, analyst, operator, law
enforcement explorer, parking enforcement specialist, public
transit employee or agent, security officer, or utility worker
is engaged in the ~~lawful~~ performance of his or her official
duties, the offense for which the person is charged shall be
reclassified as follows:

(a) In the case of assault, from a misdemeanor of the
second degree to a misdemeanor of the first degree.

(b) In the case of battery, from a misdemeanor of the
first degree to a felony of the third degree. Notwithstanding
any other provision of law, a person convicted of battery upon a
law enforcement officer committed in furtherance of a riot or an
aggravated riot prohibited under s. 870.01 shall be sentenced to
a minimum term of imprisonment of 6 months.

(c) In the case of aggravated assault, from a felony of the third degree to a felony of the second degree. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any person convicted of aggravated assault upon a law enforcement officer shall be sentenced to a minimum term of imprisonment of 3 years.

(d) In the case of aggravated battery, from a felony of the second degree to a felony of the first degree. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any person convicted of aggravated battery of a law enforcement officer shall be sentenced to a minimum term of imprisonment of 5 years.

Section 5. Subsection (1) of section 843.01, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

843.01 Resisting, obstructing, or opposing by offering or doing violence to legally authorized person, police canine, or police horse.—

(1) Whoever knowingly and willfully resists, obstructs, or opposes any officer as defined in s. 943.10(1), (2), (3), (6), (7), (8), or (9); member of the Florida Commission on Offender Review or any administrative aide or supervisor employed by the commission; parole and probation supervisor; county probation officer; personnel or representative of the Department of Law Enforcement; or other person legally authorized to execute process in the execution of legal process or engaged in the performance of his or her official duties as described in s. 943.10 ~~lawful execution of any legal duty~~, by offering or doing

violence to the person of such officer or legally authorized person, commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

Section 6. Paragraphs (d) and (e) of subsection (3) of section 921.0022, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

921.0022 Criminal Punishment Code; offense severity ranking chart.—

(3) OFFENSE SEVERITY RANKING CHART

(d) LEVEL 4

Florida Statute	Felony Degree	Description
104.155	3rd	Unqualified noncitizen electors voting; aiding or soliciting noncitizen electors in voting.
499.0051(1)	3rd	Failure to maintain or deliver transaction history, transaction information, or transaction statements.
499.0051(5)	2nd	Knowing sale or delivery, or possession with intent to sell, contraband prescription drugs.

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164	517.07 (1)	3rd	Failure to register securities.
165	517.12 (1)	3rd	Failure of dealer or associated person of a dealer of securities to register.
166	784.031	3rd	Battery by strangulation.
167	784.07 (2) (b)	3rd	Battery of law enforcement officer, firefighter, etc.
168	784.074 (1) (c)	3rd	Battery of sexually violent predators facility staff.
169	784.075	3rd	Battery on detention or commitment facility staff.
170	784.078	3rd	Battery of facility employee by throwing, tossing, or expelling certain fluids or materials.
171	784.08 (2) (c)	3rd	Battery on a person 65 years of age or older.
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173	784.081 (3)	3rd	Battery on specified official or employee.
174	784.082 (3)	3rd	Battery by detained person on visitor or other detainee.
175	784.083 (3)	3rd	Battery on code inspector.
176	784.085	3rd	Battery of child by throwing, tossing, projecting, or expelling certain fluids or materials.
177	787.03 (1)	3rd	Interference with custody; wrongly takes minor from appointed guardian.
178	787.04 (2)	3rd	Take, entice, or remove child beyond state limits with criminal intent pending custody proceedings.
	787.04 (3)	3rd	Carrying child beyond state lines with criminal intent to avoid producing child at

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custody hearing or delivering
to designated person.

787.07 3rd Human smuggling.

790.115 (1) 3rd Exhibiting firearm or weapon
within 1,000 feet of a school.

790.115 (2) (b) 3rd Possessing electric weapon or
device, destructive device, or
other weapon on school
property.

790.115 (2) (c) 3rd Possessing firearm on school
property.

794.051 (1) 3rd Indecent, lewd, or lascivious
touching of certain minors.

800.04 (7) (c) 3rd Lewd or lascivious exhibition;
offender less than 18 years.

806.135 2nd Destroying or demolishing a
memorial or historic property.

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187	810.02 (4) (a)	3rd	Burglary, or attempted burglary, of an unoccupied structure; unarmed; no assault or battery.
188	810.02 (4) (b)	3rd	Burglary, or attempted burglary, of an unoccupied conveyance; unarmed; no assault or battery.
189	810.06	3rd	Burglary; possession of tools.
190	810.08 (2) (c)	3rd	Trespass on property, armed with firearm or dangerous weapon.
191	810.145 (3) (b)	3rd	Digital voyeurism dissemination.
192	812.014 (2) (c) 3.	3rd	Grand theft, 3rd degree \$10,000 or more but less than \$20,000.
	812.014 (2) (c) 4. & 6.-10.	3rd	Grand theft, 3rd degree; specified items.

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193	812.014 (2) (d) 2.	3rd	Grand theft, 3rd degree; \$750 or more taken from dwelling or its unenclosed curtilage.
194	812.014 (2) (e) 3.	3rd	Petit theft, 1st degree; less than \$40 taken from dwelling or its unenclosed curtilage with two or more prior theft convictions.
195	812.0195 (2)	3rd	Dealing in stolen property by use of the Internet; property stolen \$300 or more.
196	817.505 (4) (a)	3rd	Patient brokering.
197	817.563 (1)	3rd	Sell or deliver substance other than controlled substance agreed upon, excluding s. 893.03 (5) drugs.
198	817.568 (2) (a)	3rd	Fraudulent use of personal identification information.
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200	817.5695 (3) (c)	3rd	Exploitation of person 65 years of age or older, value less than \$10,000.
201	817.625 (2) (a)	3rd	Fraudulent use of scanning device, skimming device, or reencoder.
202	817.625 (2) (c)	3rd	Possess, sell, or deliver skimming device.
203	828.125 (1)	2nd	Kill, maim, or cause great bodily harm or permanent breeding disability to any registered horse or cattle.
204	836.14 (2)	3rd	Person who commits theft of a sexually explicit image with intent to promote it.
205	836.14 (3)	3rd	Person who willfully possesses a sexually explicit image with certain knowledge, intent, and purpose.

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206	837.02 (1)	3rd	Perjury in official proceedings.
207	837.021 (1)	3rd	Make contradictory statements in official proceedings.
208	838.022	3rd	Official misconduct.
209	839.13 (2) (a)	3rd	Falsifying records of an individual in the care and custody of a state agency.
210	839.13 (2) (c)	3rd	Falsifying records of the Department of Children and Families.
211	843.021	3rd	Possession of a concealed handcuff key by a person in custody.
212	843.025	3rd	Deprive law enforcement, correctional, or correctional probation officer of means of protection or communication.

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213	843.15(1)(a)	3rd	Failure to appear while on bail for felony (bond estreature or bond jumping).
214	843.19(2)	2nd	Injure, disable, or kill police, fire, or SAR canine or police horse.
215	847.0135(5)(c)	3rd	Lewd or lascivious exhibition using computer; offender less than 18 years.
216	870.01(3)	2nd	Aggravated rioting.
217	870.01(5)	2nd	Aggravated inciting a riot.
218	874.05(1)(a)	3rd	Encouraging or recruiting another to join a criminal gang.
219	893.13(2)(a)1.	2nd	Purchase of cocaine (or other s. 893.03(1)(a), (b), or (d), (2)(a), (2)(b), or (2)(c)5. drugs).

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220	914.14 (2)	3rd	Witnesses accepting bribes.
221	914.22 (1)	3rd	Force, threaten, etc., witness, victim, or informant.
222	914.23 (2)	3rd	Retaliation against a witness, victim, or informant, no bodily injury.
223	916.1085 (2) (c) 1.	3rd	Introduction of specified contraband into certain DCF facilities.
224	934.215	3rd	Use of two-way communications device to facilitate commission of a crime.
225	944.47 (1) (a) 6.	3rd	Introduction of contraband (cellular telephone or other portable communication device) into correctional institution.
	951.22 (1) (h) , (j) & (k)	3rd	Intoxicating drug, instrumentality or other device to aid escape, or cellular

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telephone or other portable
communication device introduced
into county detention facility.

(e) LEVEL 5

Florida Statute	Felony Degree	Description
316.027 (2) (a)	3rd	Accidents involving personal injuries other than serious bodily injury, failure to stop; leaving scene.
316.1935 (3) (a)	2nd	Driving at high speed or with wanton disregard for safety while fleeing or attempting to elude law enforcement officer who is in a patrol vehicle with siren and lights activated.
316.80 (2)	2nd	Unlawful conveyance of fuel; obtaining fuel fraudulently.
322.34 (6)	3rd	Careless operation of motor

vehicle with suspended license,
resulting in death or serious
bodily injury.

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327.30 (5) (a) 2.

3rd

Vessel accidents involving
personal injuries other than
serious bodily injury; leaving
scene.

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365.172
(14) (b) 2.

2nd

Misuse of emergency
communications system resulting
in death.

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379.365 (2) (c) 1.

3rd

Violation of rules relating to:
willful molestation of stone
crab traps, lines, or buoys;
illegal bartering, trading, or
sale, conspiring or aiding in
such barter, trade, or sale, or
supplying, agreeing to supply,
aiding in supplying, or giving
away stone crab trap tags or
certificates; making, altering,
forging, counterfeiting, or
reproducing stone crab trap

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tags; possession of forged,
counterfeit, or imitation stone
crab trap tags; and engaging in
the commercial harvest of stone
crabs while license is
suspended or revoked.

379.367(4)

3rd

Willful molestation of a
commercial harvester's spiny
lobster trap, line, or buoy.

379.407(5) (b) 3.

3rd

Possession of 100 or more
undersized spiny lobsters.

381.0041(11) (b)

3rd

Donate blood, plasma, or organs
knowing HIV positive.

440.10(1) (g)

2nd

Failure to obtain workers'
compensation coverage.

440.105(5)

2nd

Unlawful solicitation for the
purpose of making workers'
compensation claims.

440.381(2)

3rd

Submission of false,

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misleading, or incomplete
information with the purpose of
avoiding or reducing workers'
compensation premiums.

624.401(4)(b)2. 2nd Transacting insurance without a
certificate or authority;
premium collected \$20,000 or
more but less than \$100,000.

626.902(1)(c) 2nd Representing an unauthorized
insurer; repeat offender.

784.07(2)(b) 3rd Battery of law enforcement
officer, firefighter, etc.

790.01(3) 3rd Unlawful carrying of a
concealed firearm.

790.162 2nd Threat to throw or discharge
destructive device.

790.163(1) 2nd False report of bomb,
explosive, weapon of mass
destruction, or use of firearms

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in violent manner.

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790.221 (1)

2nd

Possession of short-barreled
shotgun or machine gun.

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790.23

2nd

Felons in possession of
firearms, ammunition, or
electronic weapons or devices.

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796.05 (1)

2nd

Live on earnings of a
prostitute; 1st offense.

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800.04 (6) (c)

3rd

Lewd or lascivious conduct;
offender less than 18 years of
age.

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800.04 (7) (b)

2nd

Lewd or lascivious exhibition;
offender 18 years of age or
older.

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806.111 (1)

3rd

Possess, manufacture, or
dispense fire bomb with intent
to damage any structure or
property.

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255	810.145 (4)	3rd	Commercial digital voyeurism dissemination.
256	810.145 (7) (a)	2nd	Digital voyeurism; 2nd or subsequent offense.
257	810.145 (8) (a)	2nd	Digital voyeurism; certain minor victims.
258	812.014 (2) (d) 3.	2nd	Grand theft, 2nd degree; theft from 20 or more dwellings or their unenclosed curtilage, or any combination.
259	812.0145 (2) (b)	2nd	Theft from person 65 years of age or older; \$10,000 or more but less than \$50,000.
260	812.015 (8) (a) & (c) - (e)	3rd	Retail theft; property stolen is valued at \$750 or more and one or more specified acts.
261	812.015 (8) (f)	3rd	Retail theft; multiple thefts within specified period.

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262	812.015 (8) (g)	3rd	Retail theft; committed with specified number of other persons.
263	812.019 (1)	2nd	Stolen property; dealing in or trafficking in.
264	812.081 (3)	2nd	Trafficking in trade secrets.
265	812.131 (2) (b)	3rd	Robbery by sudden snatching.
266	812.16 (2)	3rd	Owning, operating, or conducting a chop shop.
267	817.034 (4) (a) 2.	2nd	Communications fraud, value \$20,000 to \$50,000.
268	817.234 (11) (b)	2nd	Insurance fraud; property value \$20,000 or more but less than \$100,000.
	817.2341 (1) , (2) (a) & (3) (a)	3rd	Filing false financial statements, making false entries of material fact or false statements regarding

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property values relating to the
solvency of an insuring entity.

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817.568 (2) (b)

2nd

Fraudulent use of personal
identification information;
value of benefit, services
received, payment avoided, or
amount of injury or fraud,
\$5,000 or more or use of
personal identification
information of 10 or more
persons.

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817.611 (2) (a)

2nd

Traffic in or possess 5 to 14
counterfeit credit cards or
related documents.

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817.625 (2) (b)

2nd

Second or subsequent fraudulent
use of scanning device,
skimming device, or reencoder.

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825.1025 (4)

3rd

Lewd or lascivious exhibition
in the presence of an elderly
person or disabled adult.

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274	828.12 (2)	3rd	Tortures any animal with intent to inflict intense pain, serious physical injury, or death.
275	836.14 (4)	2nd	Person who willfully promotes for financial gain a sexually explicit image of an identifiable person without consent.
276	839.13 (2) (b)	2nd	Falsifying records of an individual in the care and custody of a state agency involving great bodily harm or death.
277	843.01 (1)	3rd	Resist officer with violence to person; resist arrest with violence.
278	847.0135 (5) (b)	2nd	Lewd or lascivious exhibition using computer; offender 18 years or older.

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279	847.0137 (2) & (3)	3rd	Transmission of pornography by electronic device or equipment.
280	847.0138 (2) & (3)	3rd	Transmission of material harmful to minors to a minor by electronic device or equipment.
281	874.05 (1) (b)	2nd	Encouraging or recruiting another to join a criminal gang; second or subsequent offense.
282	874.05 (2) (a)	2nd	Encouraging or recruiting person under 13 years of age to join a criminal gang.
283	893.13 (1) (a) 1.	2nd	Sell, manufacture, or deliver cocaine (or other s. 893.03 (1) (a), (1) (b), (1) (d), (2) (a), (2) (b), or (2) (c) 5. drugs).
	893.13 (1) (c) 2.	2nd	Sell, manufacture, or deliver cannabis (or other s. 893.03 (1) (c), (2) (c) 1.,

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(2) (c) 2., (2) (c) 3., (2) (c) 6.,
 (2) (c) 7., (2) (c) 8., (2) (c) 9.,
 (2) (c) 10., (3), or (4) drugs)
 within 1,000 feet of a child
 care facility, school, or
 state, county, or municipal
 park or publicly owned
 recreational facility or
 community center.

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893.13 (1) (d) 1. 1st Sell, manufacture, or deliver
 cocaine (or other s.
 893.03 (1) (a), (1) (b), (1) (d),
 (2) (a), (2) (b), or (2) (c) 5.
 drugs) within 1,000 feet of
 university.

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893.13 (1) (e) 2. 2nd Sell, manufacture, or deliver
 cannabis or other drug
 prohibited under s.
 893.03 (1) (c), (2) (c) 1.,
 (2) (c) 2., (2) (c) 3., (2) (c) 6.,
 (2) (c) 7., (2) (c) 8., (2) (c) 9.,
 (2) (c) 10., (3), or (4) within
 1,000 feet of property used for

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religious services or a
specified business site.

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893.13(1)(f)1. 1st Sell, manufacture, or deliver
cocaine (or other s.
893.03(1)(a), (1)(b), (1)(d),
or (2)(a), (2)(b), or (2)(c)5.
drugs) within 1,000 feet of
public housing facility.

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893.13(4)(b) 2nd Use or hire of minor; deliver
to minor other controlled
substance.

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893.1351(1) 3rd Ownership, lease, or rental for
trafficking in or manufacturing
of controlled substance.

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290 **Section 7.** This act shall take effect October 1, 2026.